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FATAL LORRY CRASH

A Sergeant in the Royal Army Ordnance Corps, SQM Harris, was killed and another, SQM Smith, seriously injured yesterday in one of the worst accidents in Kowloon this year, when a 15-cwt. weapons carrier crashed into verandah stanchions at 312 Nathan Road, after previously colliding with a tree and running into two rickshaws.

The accident occurred at 2.30 a.m. yesterday and in the absence of witnesses and until Smith (who is now in hospital with concussion and severe shock) recovers and gives his version, actual details of the accident are lacking.

Investigation carried out by Inspector J. Scrim and Sub-Inspector Bell of the Traffic Department indicates that the truck, which was being driven in the direction of the ferry, skidded on the slippery road and crashed into the tree.

The driver apparently lost control of the vehicle, which then collided with two rickshaws parked outside Nanking Street. Indications are that the driver fought desperately to regain control but was unable to prevent the truck mounting the pavement.

It came in a sudden stop after crashing into the pillars supporting the first floor of 312 Nathan Road, which it hit with such force as to push both stanchions and base some three inches out of alignment, while the iron grille of the Golden Star Store was partly twisted.

The vehicle itself was badly damaged, with part of the windscreen ripped out of the frame. The engine bonnet was torn clear and lay on the ground near the driver's seat.

The two rickshaws, smashed beyond repair, lay on the pavement under the truck's front wheels. The pullers were fortunately absent at the time.

The vicinity of the accident was cordoned off with bamboo fencing by the Police, as the verandah is in danger of collapsing.

Up to a late hour last night, SQM Smith was in a dangerous condition.

TARGET WAS VERBOTEN

Ronald Albert Coker, 17, was fined 2/6d. today for hitting a Bobby's helmet with a snowball.

"Nobody wants to stop you playing snowballs. It is a grand game—but you must not throw at policemen," said the magistrate.—United Press.

Export Subsidy Criticised

Shanghai, Feb. 8.
China's plan for a 100 per cent export subsidy at the expense of imports today ran a cropper on United States and British laws providing that additional duty equal to the subsidy at the point of origin will be applied to such goods.

The export subsidy, which pays an exporter 100 per cent bonus on foreign exchange, has already been in effect since February 6. Money for the bonus is being obtained by a 50 per cent surcharge on imports.

The programme, which provoked criticism from the United States and threat of an official protest from Washington, has already failed its purpose—stave off the resultant inflationary effect of the black market so high as to wash out the intended benefits.

The United States Consulate notified exporters of the United States provisions in the 1930 Tariff Act which nullify the bonus plan and warned that all consular invoices for exports must show an itemized account of such subsidies.

Well-informed quarters said Britain has similar tariff provisions of the swollen river.—United Press.

Telephone and telegraph communications between northern and southern Italy were cut this morning when waters of the Tiber flooded a large area north of the city washing out telephone poles at several points.

The latest reports from Rome local newspapers said that the river's waters continued to rise last night after persistent rain. Several city districts were reported under water and it was feared that the historic Milvia bridge might collapse.

Post Office officials in Milan stated this afternoon that reports from the Ministry of Communications were trying to re-establish connection between Rome and Milan but their progress is exceptionally slow due to the strong current.

BRITAIN NOW FACING AN "ECONOMIC DUNKIRK"

Two Million Out Of Work When Cut In Electricity Goes Into Effect

HELIGOLAND TO EXPLODE

Hamburg, Feb. 7.
Heligoland Island, the German naval base in two wars and one of the world's most heavily defended islands, is being shelled with 6,700 tons of high explosive ready for the destruction of the fortifications in what will be one of the biggest explosions the world has known.

March 31 is the provisional date for the simultaneous firing of explosives which are buried in the island's 14-mile network of underground tunnels. A firing ship, anchored at least eight miles off, will set the charges off by cable.

Pressman Wounded In Hanoi

Hanoi, Feb. 9.
Michel S. Moutschen, Associated Press correspondent and photographer, was wounded dangerously by a sniper's bullet as he accompanied French troops in the crossing of the Rouge River outside Hanoi.

The bullet entered Moutschen's neck, injuring his spine and causing a severe throat hemorrhage. He was taken to Lanesap Hospital in Hanoi where doctors said his condition was critical.

Moutschen, a Belgian, who became Associated Press correspondent in June, has been covering the fighting between the French and Viet Nam Nationalists since December.—Associated Press.

Moutschen visited Hong Kong in mid-September of 1946, remaining here nearly two weeks, during which time he purchased supplies for his return to French India. During World War II he was with the British and American troops as a correspondent covering some of the main military actions in Europe. He came to the Far East shortly after the German surrender.

Press Criticism Of Government

London, Feb. 8.
Britain faces an "economic Dunkirk" and more bitter weather today is dashing waning hopes that the 100 per cent power cut affecting more than two-thirds of British industries might be lifted by the Monday deadline. The effect of the announcement of Fuel Minister Emmanuel Shinwell in the House of Commons yesterday was felt today by millions of workers who began their week-end knowing that they would get an enforced holiday next week.

At least 2,000,000—and probably more—will be out of jobs when the electricity cut goes into effect and by the end of next week perhaps 5,000,000 would be idle. More domestic consumers will feel the pinch when cuts in homes begin from 9 a.m. to noon and from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Monday.

Only essential services are exempt from the drastic order caused by coal shortages resulting from the coldest weather Europe has experienced in 50 years. Blizzards still raged today in many sections of England, piling up huge drifts and further dislocating transport.

The services classed as essential in the order which applies to London, Southwest England, Northwest, England and the highly industrialised Midlands are hospitals, telephones, cable services, water supplies, food production, newspapers, the BBC and sewerage.

A decision is projected for possible changes in clothes rationing if Midland clothing firms are forced to close for a prolonged period. Shop rationing might also be affected.

Some Confusion

There is some confusion regarding how the cuts would be enforced. The Ministry of Fuel has asked the factories to switch off their own current. In the event this does not work it is expected Fuel Ministry officials will cut supply at the main switch.

In a desperate effort to keep its vital foreign trade flowing in at least a token basis Government has rescinded an order banning ships from fueling in United Kingdom ports. The prohibition on export of coal remains.

Theatres are not expected to be classified as industrial and hence can operate after 4 p.m. but the cut means that they will be able to operate on matinees unless they have their own generating plant. Greyhound racing is expected to be suspended altogether.

The position of laundries is uncertain and although nothing has been said about public transport it is assumed the cuts do not apply to them.

British newspapers, including the Labour "Daily Herald," are unanimous in placing the blame on Government for not foreseeing the situation.

"The Times" comments "The Times" says it is true Government could not be blamed for the weather but agrees with Mr. Eden that it did "in fact completely misjudge the situation by taking too optimistic a view of the gap that had to be bridged between national industrial demand and available supplies of coal."

"The dangers had been clearly foreseen for months past," and "the whiff of the Cabinet's responsibility can be allotted elsewhere."

"The Daily Herald" says the fuel crisis is a conspicuous example of Government's failure to inform the people what should be done. The paper says that any Government now in office would be faced with the same difficulties but it was to be expected that the Labour Government "would take special care to keep the public informed."

The "Daily Telegraph" says the "blind basis on which fuel had been allocated had rendered the present impasse quite inevitable whatever the weather, and blizzards have done nothing but expedited it."

The "Daily Express" says an emergency debate is likely on Monday on the situation. It expected that Mr. Prime Minister Atlee does not forestall the Opposition by making a debate possible Mr. Churchill or Eden certainly will press for it as a "matter of urgent public importance."

The "Express" points out that an Opposition motion could be forced to a division which might be of critical importance to the Government since many Labourites have expressed criticism of the Government's handling of the coal crisis.—United Press.

Indians Rebel In Bolivia

La Paz, Feb. 7.

The Minister of Interior today confirmed reports that rebellious Indians carrying on firearms, sticks and dynamite attacked ranches in the Cochabamba area killing and wounding an undetermined number of farmers and seizing four as hostages. The Indians were led by miners who supplied the dynamite.

The Government claimed that the uprising was connected with a plot by the totalitarian national revolutionary movement to regain power which was, last when it was overthrown by the revolution last July.—United Press.

Swapped Identities With A G.I.

Wiesbaden, Feb. 8.
A Briton found himself in an American military jail today after swapping identities with an American soldier now missing.

Donald L. Jenkins, of London, said he spent 30 "joyous" days as an American soldier. His masquerade ended when he signed the payroll incorrectly.

He would have been transferred to the United States for re-deployment within a few weeks, Jenkins said he met the missing soldier in a Paris bar.

"The French girl I went to Paris to see was already married," he related, "so the American and I went to a movie and changed clothes. I took his uniform. He took my civilian clothes. We agreed to go to the United States, and the American wanted to quit the army."

Within an hour, he was on a troop train bound for Germany. No one questioned him.

He simulated a Brooklyn accent, bluffed his way through a reassignment centre, and was transferred to the Military Government in Wiesbaden.

Jenkins was told he would be turned over to the British Consul.

MT. PARKER CRASH ENQUIRY

Approximately HK\$1,520,000 in gold coins and bullion was lost as a result of the Philippine Airline plane crash on Mount Parker on Jan. 25 with a gold cargo worth HK\$8,000,000 aboard.

Col. P.I. Gunn, Philippine Air Line Vice President in charge of operations, said that 81 per cent of the gold had been recovered from the mountainside where the plane crashed with a loss of four lives.

Eleven witnesses, including five members of the R.A.F., have testified at a closed hearing conducted by the Accident Investigation Board. Attending as an observer was Captain Victor Dizon, Chief of the Aircraft Accident Board of the Philippine Bureau of Aeronautics.

Max Oxford, Deputy Director of the Hong Kong Accident Investigation Board, said the outcome of the hearing will not be announced until later.

Dizon and Colonel Gunn have returned to Manila.

An official H.K. Government statement yesterday said:—"An inquiry into the cause of the accident on Jan. 25 to the Philippine Air Lines Inc. aeroplane was held on Thursday and Friday by the Acting Inspector of Air Services, assisted by Wing Commander E. Holden R.A.F. of Royal Air Force Station Kai Tak."

Captain Victor Dizon of the Philippine Bureau of Aeronautics was present at the investigation at the invitation of the Hong Kong Government. A number of witnesses were heard but the findings of the enquiry are not yet available.

CHUNGKING AIRFIELD CRASH

Sian, Feb. 8.

Eleven officers and men of the Chinese Air Force were killed and another three wounded as a result of an air crash of a Chinese Air Force transport on the highway six kilometres from Chungking Airfield at noon on Thursday.

Carrying 14 persons, including the crew, the C-44 type transport, No. 217 took off from Sian Airfield early on Thursday morning for Chungking with a load of CN\$30,000,000.

About to land at the Chungking Airfield, the plane developed engine trouble and crashed, killing 11 and injuring the remaining three occupants of the aircraft.

Air Force Headquarters here has dispatched a team to Chungking to conduct an enquiry.—Central News.

Russians Take Over

Vienna, Feb. 7.

The huge Georg Schicht edible oil and margarine plants, jointly British and Dutch-owned, have been declared Russian property.

The declaration was contained in a letter dated Dec. 15, 1946, addressed to the Minister of Public Nutrition, Otto Sigmund, it was learned. A former Army officer, has been appointed Director-General of the plant, which formerly produced all Austria's edible oil and margarine supply.

Government officials pointed out that since the headquarters of the organisation was in Vienna, only quadripartite action could be considered strictly level.

It was learned, however, that the Russians' property control division was reconsidering the move. During the war, the plant was administered by the Reichs Commissioner for enemy property.—United Press.

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Jerusalem Split Into 5 Zones

Jerusalem, Feb. 8.
British troops split Jerusalem into five "security zones" today in a swift application of the first restrictions expected to prelude martial law and an all-out drive to catch Jewish terrorists. New sandbagged pill-boxes went up at strategic points all over the city. In the villa quarter of Rehavia armoured cars equipped with loud-speakers blared announcements in three languages that the people must obtain within four days special passes to move about.

Hundreds of light tanks and military vehicles moved through the streets. Barbed wire entanglements so criss-crossed the streets that this correspondent had to travel half a mile to get to a house two blocks away.

Army officers said these were the first restrictions to make it impossible for extremists to carry out any more kidnappings or bombings. Jewish Agency officials expected martial law or its equivalent within a week.

Another Canton Canard?

(By "Paul Pry")
Chinese reports that Nanking had turned down a British suggestion that a Chinese Consulate be opened in Hong Kong could not be confirmed last night.

According to these reports, which are said to emanate from Canton sources, the British Government suggested the opening of a Chinese Consulate, as the best means of looking after Chinese interests in the Colony.

The British suggestion was turned down, these same sources claim, on the ground that the status of Hong Kong was "still unclarified."

I was unable to get this confirmed officially last night and it is possible that the report is a twisted version of an article by "Sinita" in the "National Review," which made front-page news in Hong Kong last Wednesday, and which suggested such a step.

QUAKE RECORDED

New York, Feb. 7.
An earthquake of "moderate intensity" was recorded at 3.59 a.m. today on Fardham University's seismograph. The exact location was not determined but it was placed at approximately 8,000 miles out in the Pacific Ocean.—United Press.

HOW IRRITATION VARIES FROM DIFFERENT CIGARETTES

Tests made on rabbits' eyes reveal the influence of hygroscopic agents

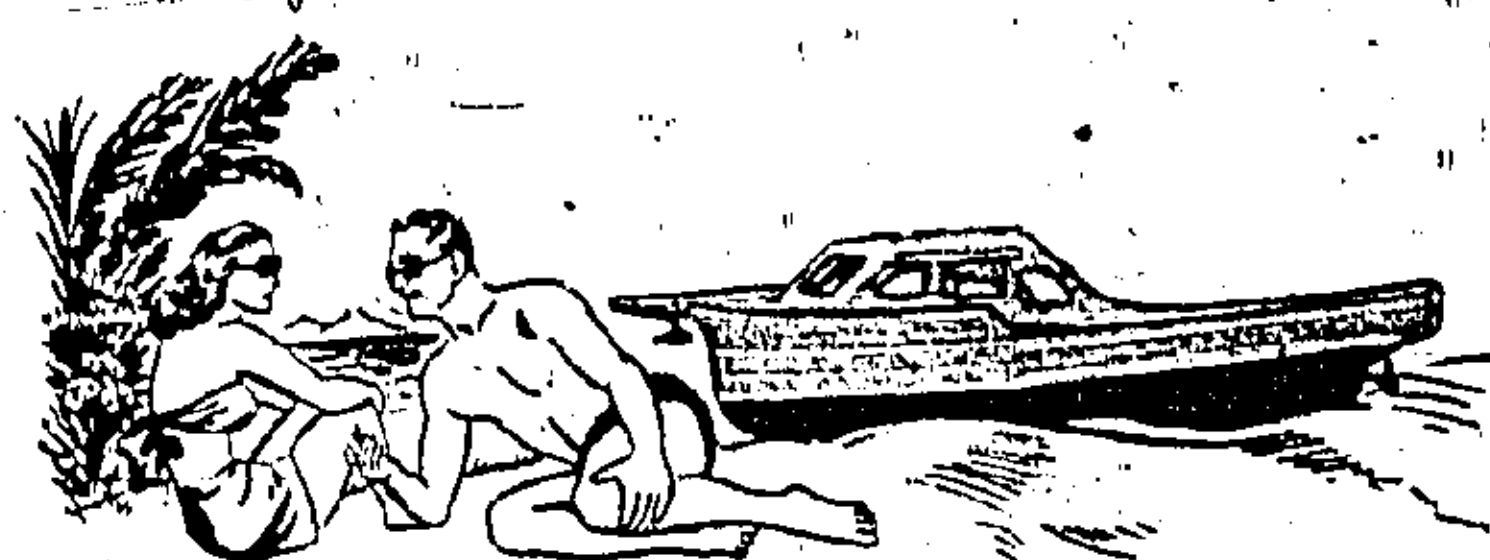
	TYPE OF CIGARETTE
1	Edemora 0.8
2	Edemora 2.1
3	Edemora 2.7
4	Edemora 2.6
5	Edemora 2.7
6	Edemora 2.7

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Broke Into A Godown

Chan Muk-shui, Ma Chun-
shing and Mok Po-yuen were
sentenced to two years' hard
labour each when they pleaded
guilty before Mr. Blair-Kerr at
Kowloon yesterday to a charge
of store breaking.

DI A. Leslie, prosecuting,
stated that at about 2 a.m. on
Feb. 3 the accused, together
with others not in custody,
broke into a godown at Ma Tau
Kok Road, belonging to Ciba
Ltd., and stole 203 tins of dyes
valued at \$8,476. Entry was
made by breaking through the
roof of the godown to which
they had climbed by means of
a ladder.

After a report of the robbery
had been received, continued
DI Leslie, Chinese detective
Kok Heung-cheung was detailed
to make investigations. At 1
p.m. on the following day,
Chan Muk-shui was arrested at
Haiphong Road. This was
followed by the arrest, on Feb.
6, of Ma and Mok at Castle
Peak Road.

None of the stolen property
had been recovered, said Mr.
Leslie, as, according to the
defendants, they have been sold
by two other accomplices who
have not yet been apprehended.
Chan Yu-kwai, originally
charged with the three accused,
was discharged on the Police
offering no evidence against
him after he had pleaded "Not
guilty".

While Detective Kok was
making inquiries into the robbery,
said DI Leslie when he
charged Mok Yu-nam, store-
keeper, with larceny of 10
empty dye tins on Jan. 31, he
found that Mok had sold 10
tins of dyes to a store at South
Wall Road, Kowloon City.
Further investigations revealed
that accused had bought some
loose dyes from a couple,
brought it back to the Ciba
godown where he was employed
at a monthly salary of \$260,
and packed it into the empty
containers.

A fine of \$75, or two months'
hard labour, was imposed by
Mr. Blair-Kerr.

Toc H

A concert of recorded music
will be presented at Talbot
House (Toc H), 50, Macdonnell
Road, at 8.30 p.m. today. The
programme will include the
following: — Prelude "The
Dream of Gerontius" by Elgar,
Facade-Suite and Concerto for
violin and Orchestra by Walton,
Variations Symphoniques for
piano and orchestra by Cesar
Frank, and Symphony No. 5
in E minor (From "The New
World" by Dvorak).

On Tuesday evening at eight
o'clock there will be a meeting
of members and friends of
Toc H at Talbot House at
which the Guest-speaker will
be the Rev. P. Smith and his
subject "Christian Social Ser-
vice." Toc H invite all who are
interested to activities at
Talbot House.

H.E. TO VISIT LAMMA IS.

His Excellency the Governor,
Sir Mark Young, is to pay a
visit to the islands of Lamma,
Cheung Chau and Ping Chau
tomorrow.

His Excellency will reach
Lamma in the morning, and
will visit the other two islands
in the afternoon.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

Peninsula Hotel arrivals:—D. W.
Thorpe, G. F. Peers, Mr. and Mrs. B. L.
Limes, Robert M. Blaylock, Mrs. Robert
M. Blaylock, Miss A. P. Blaylock, Mrs. M.
L. Bentley, Mr. and Mrs. W. Myers,
Horace Bristol, R. A. Hennell and E. F.
McMullen.

Peninsula departures:—Mrs. G. R.
McGinnis, Mrs. P. A. Carroll, Miss I.
Hertberg, Miss L. Henwick, G. A. Howard,
W. F. Carey and J. O'Connell.
The following passengers left yesterday
morning by the DOAC Dragon Route
flying-boat:—London: Master R. J.
Spilkins, Miss A. P. Blenkinsop, Capt.
and Countess Ber. Senna, Fernandito,
Messrs. G. F. Peers, Evans and Armstrong;
Calcutta: Capt. D. W. Thorpe, Captain
Messrs. P. Summerfield, Butler, W.
R. Francis, Mrs. G. Bentley, Lt. Gen. R.
Gardner, Capt. P. Laughlin, Tpr. Good-
man; Bangkok: Kuntze, Mann and Yu
Fuk-ka.

Two DOAC flying-boats are scheduled
to leave for Singapore today. They will
carry the following passengers:—Messrs.
W. J. O'Connell, Shaw, de Ward, A. F.
Kerr-Rod, Curtis, Bennett, M. O'Brien,
T. A. Ashman, A. Hayward, Major Ed-
wards, Capt. Luscombe, F. A. L. L. F.
Grogan, Miss Grogan, C. G. W. W.
Gould, Major Edgar, S. E. D. K. K.
Kempson, Capt. A. C. McNeill, Capt. H. E.
Schwarz, Major W. D. Atkinson and
Hong Jia-ning for Bangkok; Mr. and
Mrs. G. P. J. J. French, C. H. Chan,
Lieut. Col. Mrs. R. A. Carroll, Lieut.
Kempson, Miss Chung, S. C. Chan, Lieut.
Lau-chai and Tan Khe-chuan.

Canton has been notified as a
place where smallpox prevails and
a valid certificate of vaccination
is now necessary for all arrivals
from that port.

FIVE-YEAR CONSTRUCTION PLAN FOR CHINA

COMPENSATION PAID TO ROOM BOY

A. H. Fox of the Royal Naval
Dockyard was ordered to pay
\$100 compensation to Wong
Sui-ming by Mr. H. G. Sheldon
at Central yesterday when he
was found guilty of assault on
Feb. 3.

Inspector Erwin said that
complainant was a room boy.
On that day he was in an office
near the surgery in the dock-
yard. Defendant told him to
go away, pushed him into a
room and stabbed him with a
knife he had in his hand.

Defendant said that he told
complainant to get out as he
was interfering with the work
of painters under his charge.
He may have pushed him but he
did not know that complainant
was injured with the knife in
his hand. He had no trouble
with complainant before.

Defendant was also charged
with possession of a revolver
and three swords without a
permit. Inspector Erwin said
that the revolver was found in
defendant's room. There were
only two rounds of ammunition.
Defendant had no licence for
possession. Defendant had told
him that the swords were kept
as souvenirs.

Fox said that the revolver
was issued to him by the Ad-
miralty in Colombia. His in-
structions were to report to the
Naval Provost if it was ever
lost or stolen. He had been to
Japan with it and did not know
that a permit was required in
Hong Kong. He would return
it in Colombia.

On this count he was caution-
ed. The revolver was to be
returned to the Naval Yard
and the swords kept in police
custody until a permit has been
obtained.

Price Control Amendments

The following additions and
amendments to the Price Control
schedule were gazetted yester-
day:—

BEER (per bottle)
Max. Retail Price
Wholesale for consumption
Price on the premises, premises.

Heinekens	pints	\$1.20	\$1.40	\$1.70
quarts	2.00	2.30	2.70	
Red Fox	pints	1.20	1.40	1.70
Teensberg	pints	1.20	1.40	1.70
Guinness Stout	pints	1.20	1.40	1.70
FOODSTUFFS (Max. Retail Price)				
Milk, Carnation	Malted—1 lb.	jar \$3.25 each, 6-lbs. jar \$12.00,		
16-lbs. jar \$39.00.				

MOTOR VEHICLES

Motor Cars:
1946 Buick Series 50 Model 51
Four Door Sedan \$13,070 each.
Studebaker Champion—4 Door
Deluxe Sedan \$10,300 each; 4
Door Regal Deluxe Sedan \$10,875
each; Deluxe 6 Passenger Coupe
\$10,275 each; Regal Deluxe 5
Passenger Coupe \$10,635 each;
Deluxe 2 Door Sedan \$10,150 each.
Willys Jeep—Station Wagon
\$13,500 each.

The following item is deleted:—
Milk, Cowlic Fullcream Pow-
dered Milk (Max. Retail Price)
\$2 per lb. and the following sub-
stituted:—Milk, Cowlic Full-
cream Powdered Milk (Max. Retail
Price) \$4.25 per 3lb. tin; \$13.50
per 12 oz. tin.

DE FREITAS LEAVES

Mr. Geoffrey de Freitas (Par-
liamentary Under-Secretary of
State for Air) accompanied by
Wing Commander Burnett and
Mr. North, left Kai Tak yester-
day morning for Bangkok in the
Lombard aircraft of Commander-
in-Chief British Pacific Fleet,
 flown by Flight-Lieutenant
Lothian.

Mr. de Freitas was accompanied
to his aircraft by Air Commodore
S. N. Webster (A.O.C. Hong
Kong), Group Captain E. Jones
(Staff Officer R.A.F. Kai
Tak) and Wing Commander E.
Holden (Wing Commander Flying
Kai Tak).

On Friday night Mr. de Freitas
was guest of honour at a Chinese
dinner party given by Mr. Richard
Lee at his residence, in Hong
Kong. Among those present were
Air Commodore Webster and Dr.
T. W. Kwok.

Shanghai, Feb. 8.

To extend its sphere of op-
eration, the China Merchants
Steamship Company is to in-
augurate an overseas route from
Shanghai to India. The Steam-
ship "Tien Hai," first Chinese
ship to run on this route, is
scheduled to sail for Calcutta
via Singapore on Feb. 12.
Central News.

The forthcoming wedding of
Flight-Sgt. Maurice, William
Marriott, of R.A.F. Kai Tak, and
Miss Phyllis Ada Anne Harris, of
16 Granville Road, is announced.

The Five Year Construction Plan which President Chiang Kai-shek passed on to the Supreme Economic Council recently for execution, calls for a fund of CNCS20,000,000,000, with an over- all man-power of 5,000,000 people, it is reported by the Central Daily News today.

Under the plan, the paper said, private enterprises
and foreign investments would be encouraged.
The economic enterprises will fall into the fol-
lowing categories: Government, private, Chin-
ese and foreign.

The Government monopolies
will be limited to "arsenals,"
railways, postal service, tele-
communications, large-scale
power plants, large-scale public
utilities, large-scale oil mines,
iron works, coal mines and
metallurgical works.

The paper said no discrimina-
tion will be made against
foreign enterprises which help
China's reconstruction plan.
Regarding Chinese-foreign
joint enterprises, there will be
no fixed ratio between the in-
vestments made by foreigners
and the capital put up by
Chinese partners. Apart from
Chairman of the Board of
Directors, the general managers
of such enterprises will not be
limited to Chinese.

From Investments

It is estimated, the paper
continued, that at least
CNCS21,973,000,000 will be
needed to implement the plan.
Thirty-eight percent of the
fund will be for communica-
tions, 27 percent for indus-
tries, 11 percent for mining
and metallurgical works, 10
percent for power plants, 9
percent for conservancy and 5
percent for agriculture. The
fund will be derived from
Government, domestic and
foreign investments.

The man-power required for
the construction plan will
reach a total of 4,968,093 ad-
ministrative personnel, en-
gineers, technicians and la-
bours.

Areas

The areas to be developed
under the plan are:—

1. the nine northeastern provinces for the development of heavy industries;
2. Hopei for the development of light industries;
3. Hupei, Hunan and Kiangsu as well as Anhwei for the development of light industries;
4. Kwangsi, Kwangtung, Fukien, Taiwan and Hainan Island for the development of shipping and light industries;
5. Szechuan, Kweichow, eastern Yunnan and Siliang for the development of hydroelectric power;
6. Shensi, Kansu, eastern Ninghsia and western Siliang for the development of con-
servancy, fur, milk and meat industries;
7. Sinkiang for the develop-
ment of oil mines and irriga-
tion systems;
8. Chinghai, Siliang and Tibet
for the development of cattle
raising.—Central News.

U.S. Admiral Arriving

Admiral C. M. Cooke Jr.,
Commander Naval Force Western
Pacific, will leave Taingiao in the
U.S.S. Estes (AGC-12), his flag-
ship, tomorrow for Hong Kong.
Accompanying the Estes will
be the heavy cruiser Helena
(CA-75) and the destroyer Os-
bourne (DD-448).

Admiral Cooke will call on
Vice-Admiral Sir Denis Boyd,
Commander-in-Chief of the British
Pacific Fleet, while in Hong
Kong. Vice Admiral Boyd pre-
viously made a courtesy call on
Admiral Cooke in Taingiao last
October.

Admiral Cooke also plans to
call in at Amoy for a few hours
on Feb. 19, while en route north
from Hong Kong.

SENTENCE EXTENDED

A further six months' im-
prisonment was added to Chan
Chui's five years' term which
he is now serving by Mr. F. K.
d'Almeida at Central for escap-
ing from prison on Dec. 21.

Inspector Manson said that
at 3.10 p.m. on Dec. 21 Prison
Officer Harrop discovered that
20 prisoners had escaped.
A message was circulated to all
police stations. Defendant and
four others were arrested by
Prison officers on an island
near Stanley the same day. De-
fendant was injured in attempt-
ing to escape.

The next meeting of the
Sino-British Club will take
place on Wednesday at 5.30
p.m. at St. John's Hall. A talk
will be given by Major E. A.
O'Neil, R.A.F.C. on "The His-
tory and immediate future of
education in Great Britain."

Nanking, Feb. 8.

Gold Bar Reports To Be Probed

It was reliably learned that
the Ministry of Communica-
tions is taking prompt action
to probe reports from Shang-
hai that over 300 gold bars
were smuggled aboard the
CNAC airliner which crashed
on Jan. 28 west of Hankow.

The reports claimed that the
gold, weighing more than 70
kilograms, was hidden on one
side of the plane's wing causing
loss of balance and the sub-
sequent crash. It also claimed
that the gold belonged to a
Chinese bank in Chungking
which has gone bankrupt due
to the loss of the metal.

Aviation experts, however,
scooped at the idea that the
weight of 70 kilograms would
cause loss of balance to a two-
motored plane.

It was also reliably learned
that the Central Meteorological
Station which is now under the
Ministry of Education will be
put under the Ministry of Com-
munications from March in
order to improve meteorological
equipment and service to
China's airplanes.—United
Press.

Funeral

George Smirnoff

The funeral of the late Mr.
George V. Smirnoff took place at
the Colonial Cemetery, Happy
Valley, yesterday afternoon. The
Rev. Fr. Dimitri Uspensky, of the
European Orthodox Church, con-
ducted the service at the grave-
side.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs.
V.D. Rumanoff and Miss V. Rumanoff,
Mr. and Mrs. A.V. Skvortov, Capt. and
Mrs. H.W. Close, Mr. R. de Vos and Mrs.
R. de Vos; Mr. and Mrs. W. Rawitz,
Mr. and Mrs. G.H. Euler, Mr. and Mrs.
M. Nihaleff, Mrs. O.I. Kolatchoff, Messrs.
A.V. and V.V. Kolatchoff; Mr. and Mrs.
E. Kucheloff, Mr. and Mrs. I.S. Pano-
maroff, Mr. Jose de Luz, Mr. A. Ibrag-
imov, Mr. and Mrs. S. Sokoloff, Mr. V. Yvanovitch,
Mrs. Yatskin, Mr. M.C. Yatskin, Dr. and
Mrs. V.N. Vargassoff, Mr. N.N. Vargass-
off, Mr. Y. Xavior, Mr. P.V. Beldor,
Mr. T. Ingram, Mrs. Tienin, Mr. E. Tienin,
Mr. A. Kurik, Mr. and Mrs. A. Davila,
Mr. E. Bratkevsky, Mr. N.G. Ivanovitch,
Mr. B.S. Seberakoff, Mr. A. Kullin, Mr.
and Mrs. Popoff, Mr. A.P. Tschacko,
Mr. N. Tschacko, Mr. B.N. Pokrovsky,
Mrs. E. Karpuchoff, Mrs. S. Gillard, Mrs.
M. Syrik, Mrs. Verico, Mr. and Mrs. H.
Gray, Mr. B.S. Rastovskiy, Mr. Bakov,
Mr. and Mrs. M.I. Koodiaroff, Mr. Bob
Dachin, Mrs. Nephind, Mr. A.N. Hirschoff,
Mr. and Mrs. A. Ivashkevich, Mr. J. Fran-
kel, Mrs. Tikhonoff, Mrs. T. Atroshenko,
Mrs. Levkovich, Mrs. Hassatrin, Mr. de
Ligne, Mr. N. Astor, Mrs. M. Olsen, Dr.
Rev. J. H. Ogilvie, Mr. and Mrs. A.V.
Spool, Mr. R. Noronha, Mr. A.E.B. de
Sousa, Mrs. Moore, Mrs. H.L. Moore, Mr.
and Mrs. D.L. Davis and Mr. G. Gav-
rilov.

Wreaths were sent by Roo, Valla and
Vera; Lalla, Shura, Lola and Luba; Ida
and Joe; Paullette and Alex; Doris and
Tamara; Mr. and Mrs. Robert de Vos,
Mr. and Mrs. G.H. Euler, Mr. and Mrs.
W. Rawitz, Mrs. Yatskin and Michael;
Mrs. O.I. Kolatchoff and Family; Mr. and
Mrs. P.V. Botelho Jr.; Mr. and Mrs. A.V.
Spool; Mr. Serey J. Lavrov; J.P. de
Ligne and Family; Mrs. Nina Goldberger;
Bill Simpson and Family; Mr. and Mrs.
M.A. Koodiaroff; Mr. and Mrs. M. Nih-
aleff; Clemente Demos and Family; Mr.
and Mrs. D. L. Davis; George and Lila
Sevier; Mr. and Mrs. George Gillard;
Mrs. E.M. Karpuchoff; Miss Cord Venet-
sky, Miss Lydia Edsott; Mr. and Mrs.
M.L. Nesteroff; Dr. and Mrs. V.N. Yar-
gassoff; Mr. L.D. Watch; Mr. Nick Ivan-
chew; Mr. A.E.B. de Sousa; Lady
Demos, G.L. Lindholm, Mr. A.I. Birdsoff;
A.P. Tschacko and Family; Mrs. Toni
Atroshenko; C.J. Waldell; S. Gross, Mr.
L. Wal Boke, Lo Kun.

Old Comrades, No. 2 Section, Field
Company Engineers, H.K.V.D.C.; College
Engineers of Harbin Polytechnic; Mary-
man Hong, Jona (China) Ltd., The Staff,
Marines Hong Kong (China) Ltd., Staff
of Architectural Office, P.W.D., Chinese
Staff of Architectural Office, P.W.D.,
Messrs. Lee Yu Kee, Kie Cheong & Co.

"SAI ON" DISASTER

The "Sunday Herald" under-
stands that composition of the
court of enquiry into the "Sai
On" disaster is likely to be an-
nounced early this coming week.
The following telegram has
been received from the Secretary
of State for the Colonies: "I am
deeply shocked to hear of the
disaster to the S. Sai On. I
should like to express my sincere
sympathy with the relatives of
those who lost their lives."

Mr. George Tippet, Royal civil
servant, of 151, The Peak, and
Betty Castel, Thelma, of 7 Hill-
crest, The Peak, were married by
Mr. W. Anselm Jones, Registrar,
at the Registry yesterday in the
presence of Messrs. G. C. Hamil-
ton and D. E. Holmes.

Tickets Issued On Board

The practice of having passen-
gers board a ship to obtain their
passage tickets from the ship's
compradore was unfavourably
commented upon in the Marine
Court yesterday when 33 Swa-
towi Chinese were charged before
Comdr. Ryder for unlawfully
boarding the s.s. "Kwefang" on
Feb. 7 as she was about to sail
for Swatow.

S.I. Brown, prosecuting, said
the Police were not pressing the
charge as the men were bona fide
intending passengers and it was
only their unfortunate lot not to
have sufficient money on them
to pay for their passage. They
said the Shipping Company's of-
fice had told them to get their
passage from the ship's comprad-
ore, and they were not aware
of the amount to be charged.

The men pleaded guilty to the
charge but said they had to go on
board to buy their passage tickets,
the amount of which they did not
know.

Giving the accused the benefit
of the doubt, Comdr. Ryder dis-
charged them with a caution, and
requested S.I. Brown to see what
other arrangements could be made
with the Shipping Company to
issue passage tickets on shore in
future to avoid similar occur-
rences.

NOMA TRIAL

The trial of Col. Noma will be
resumed at 10 a.m. tomorrow in
the No. 7 Court.

The trial of other alleged war
criminals which was to have
opened in the No. 7 Court will be
transferred to the No. 5 Court,
and will also commence at 10
a.m. the same day.

The next meeting of the Rotary
Club of Hong Kong will be held
on Tuesday at 12.30 p.m. at the
Gloucester Hotel. By courtesy of
the Royal Naval Film Unit, a
talking picture will be screened.

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Talked Himself Into The Noose

Pearl Harbour, Feb. 8. Vice-Admiral Koss Abe literally talked himself into the hangman's noose, said Rear Admiral John B. Murphy, who is director of the war crimes trials on Guam. Abe had been awaiting execution on Guam. Murphy said Abe called on him in Tokyo Hotel after the surrender. He was sent to Commander George Murphy. Admiral Murphy said "we had a story from a native of Kwajalein—that the Japanese had executed nine Americans. This puzzled us, for we had no record of any Americans captured on Kwajalein. We finally assumed that some American fliers might have been shot down there, so Commander Murphy asked Abe 'what about those nine fliers executed on Kwajalein.' "Abe looked puzzled, then replied, 'I do not know anything about the nine fliers on Kwajalein. You must mean those nine marines we captured on Makin.' "This was the first word of what happened to the marines raiding party which failed to return to their submarine in 1942. It resulted in the execution of Abe and two other Japanese last May. Abe was sentenced to death and the subordinates to prison terms.—Associated Press.

HANS FALLADA DEAD

Berlin, Feb. 7. Hans Fallada, German novelist and the author of "Little Man What Now," died in a Berlin hospital of heart disease late yesterday. He was 53 years of age. Fallada, born Rudolf Wilhelm Friedrich Ditzgen in the Mecklenburg town of Greifswald, achieved his greatest success in 1932 with "Little Man What Now," a social problem novel of German life after the First World War.—United Press.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles and from 12.30 to 1.15 p.m., 6.30 to 7.30 p.m., and 9 to 11 p.m. also on 952 megacycles.

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1.15 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.15 p.m.—Allen Roth Orchestra, with Milton Kaye (Piano).
1.30 p.m.—Hill and Hi with Handel.
2.00 p.m.—Chorus Duet.
2.30 p.m.—The Organ, Dance Band and Me.
2.45 p.m.—Studio: Local News "Round-Up."
3.00 p.m.—Interlude.
3.15 p.m.—London Relay: World News.
3.30 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.
3.45 p.m.—London Relay: "ITMA."
4.00 p.m.—Piano Parade: Wilhelm Backhaus.
4.15 p.m.—Wagner: "Tristan and Isolde"—Love Duet, Frida Linder (Soprano), and Lauritz Melchior (Tenor).
4.30 p.m.—Michele Elman and His Violin.
4.45 p.m.—London Transcription Service: "The Count of Monte Cristo." Episode 9 "The Downfall of Fernand."
5.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
5.15 p.m.—ZBW "Proms" No. 65. "Zamiatina" Overture for Trombone & Orchestra. Haydn, Sonata No. 6 in E Major. Handel, Concerto in A Minor. Schumann, Symphony No. 7 in A Major. Beethoven.
5.45 p.m.—Studio: Sunday Evening Ensembles Conducted by the Rev. W. A. L. Hutchinson, R.A.F. Choral, with R.A.F. Choir.
7.15 p.m.—Cine Down.

China Facing Danger Of Economic Collapse

(By Spencer Moosa)

Shanghai, Feb. 8. The complete economic collapse of Chiang Kai-shek's Nationalist China, on which the Communists are counting in their struggle for power, loomed today as a very real danger as the Chinese currency continued on its dizzy descent. This morning one American dollar fetched 11,000 Chinese dollars or one thousand more than it did yesterday.

Dissatisfaction with the Government policies is mounting in business circles which bitterly point out that every step taken in the attempt to stabilize the economic situation seems inevitably to produce reverse effects.

Anti-British Protest In Athens

Athens, Feb. 7. Several thousand Greek Left Wingers demonstrated outside the United Nations Commission headquarters here today carrying banners reading "The British Must Go."

The commission was holding a meeting at the time and the demonstrators shouted slogans demanding the suspension of all death sentences pending the return of political deportees in exile.

Mr. Roscher Land, Principal Secretary of the Commission spoke to the crowd from the balcony, saying the commission would hear the official delegate of the EAM in due course. The crowd roared applause, but it was nearly an hour before it dispersed.

Later there was a counter-demonstration by Right Wingers who shouted anti-Bulgarian slogans and "Long Live the King."

The police did not intervene in either demonstration but they prevented the two groups clashing.—Reuter.

MALAYA MINES DISPUTE

Kuala Lumpur, Feb. 7. The Malay Government has reached agreement with officials of the Malayan collieries labour union regarding the formation of a Board of Arbitration and the procedure for settlement of the strike in collieries, now three weeks old.

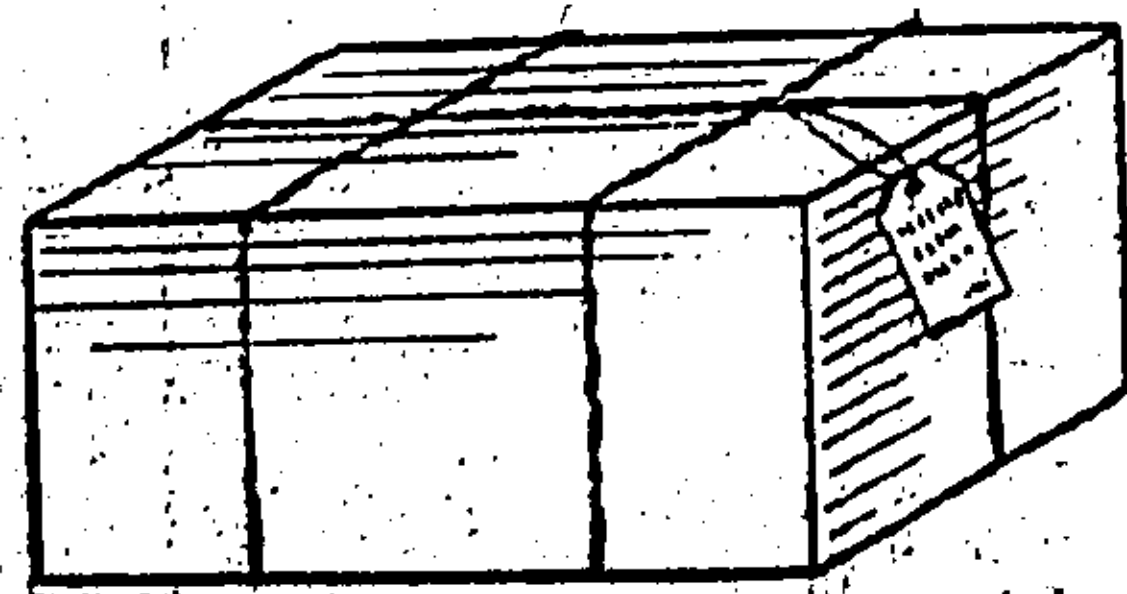
There is no indication that labour is prepared to resume work during the period of arbitration. The tin mines, working less than 10 days monthly, are considerably alarmed over the prolongation of the strike and the rapidly diminishing supplies of coal to maintain essential services.—Reuter.

JULIANA LATEST

Baarn, Feb. 7. The birth of Princess Juliana's fourth child is not now expected until Sunday. Prince Bernhard's mother arrived at the Scheffwijk Palace today from Germany, and joined Queen Wilhelmina there.—Reuter.

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BY EDGAR MARTIN



Football Pools Affected

London, Feb. 7. Seven football pools are likely to be affected by the cancellation of football matches tomorrow following the past week's severe weather.

Ground conditions in the north and the Midlands, particularly, are very bad and by early afternoon today ten first class games had been called off. The depth of snow on pitches varies from inches to three feet. Strenuous efforts are being made by clubs responsible for staging the Football Association Cup ties to get their grounds fit for play. Even if there is no whole-sale cancellation, it is likely that some pools' dividends will be low, as last week three cancellations caused a slump in dividends paid. The Managing Director of one of the biggest pools said today that only one of the cancellations affected points' list at present and that cancellation of pools was not warranted, but he was getting in touch with other promoters tomorrow morning. It is the first time for many years that the weather has been severe enough to cause widespread cancellation of matches, the day before they are due to be played.—Reuter.

Fastball

(By "Neutral")

A large crowd is expected at King's Park to-day when three Fastball League matches will be contested. Highlight of the game will be the battle between the leaders of the League, the Giants and the St. Joseph's team. This game will start at noon sharp. The Giants have so far lost one match and that was to the Saints in the first round by 6-5 after leading 5-1 until the end of the seventh inning. The Giants have lost one game so far and the Saints twice, so a win for the Giants to-day will most probably give them the championship while a win for the Saints will put the Canadian Chinese, Saints and Giants in the running once more.

"Dave Leonard will be putting in a team of old timers but unfortunately will be without his brother Stan, who is still on the injured list.

In the opening game Canadian Chinese, who are still in the running, meet the Rovers. Rovers should be able to give their opponents a good game. The odds are in favour of the Canadian Chinese.

In the night cap, Recreo should have no difficulty in re-counting for the 'dwindling Hotshots. This game will start at 2 p.m.

Chung Wah have withdrawn from the lead and the Taipei Fastballers will have no game.

Alec Growder SCC Captain

Alec Growder, well-known Hong Kong cricketer in 1934 and 1935, when he played for the H.K.C.C., has been elected captain of Singapore Cricket Club.

Growder, who is a left-hand bowler, formerly played for Queensland Colts against New South Wales.

Financial editor of the "Straits Times," he was in the Straits Settlements Volunteers, and was a P.O.W. in Singapore and Japan.

Growder, says our Sydney correspondent, has sent an SOS for a pair of cricket boots and a member of City Tattersall's Club will send the boots by the first available ship.

Mr. M. N. Oxford has been appointed to act as Director of Air Services and Airport Manager during the absence of Mr. A. J. R. Moss.

HKCC Draw With Navy

Playing at home yesterday, Hong Kong Cricket Club drew with a Navy eleven in a friendly cricket match.

H.K.C.C.
H. D. Bidwell, c Cole, b Foster 26
L. D. Kilbee, lb.w., b Foster 38
N. Hart-Baker, c Davis, b Foster 8
F. M. L. Haymes, run out 23
H. A. Bardell, b Davis 13
D. H. S. Forsyth, not out 0
D. S. Robb, b Davis 0
E. V. Pudney, b Davis 4
A. L. Snaith, c Cole, b Bodenham 0
H. Owen Hughes, not out 34
Extras 9

Total (dec. for g wickets) 156

T. A. Pearce did not bat.
BOWLING ANALYSIS
O. M. R. W.
Davis 14.3 6 37 3
Bodenham 12 0 57 1
Foster 9 1 53 3

Navy
Cole, b Owen Hughes 10
French, run out 0
Hopwood, c Kilbee, b Owen Hughes 55
Foster, lb.w., b Hart-Baker 11
Davis, run out 0
Young, st. Bardell, b Hart-Baker 0
Letch, not out 33
Bodenham, b Owen Hughes 9
Bowling not out 4
Extras 9

Total (for 7 wickets) 132

Green and Neales did not bat.
BOWLING ANALYSIS
O. M. R. W.
Snaith 6 0 14 0
Owen Hughes 13 1 44 3
Hart-Baker 11 0 57 2
Pearce 4 1 13 0

KCC Win Easily

Dismissing 3 Commando Brigade for a meagre total of 22 runs, Kowloon Cricket Club went in to bat and win easily by six wickets, at Cox's Path yesterday. P. E. Zimmerman took five wickets for 15 runs and R. E. Lee three for seven.

3 Cdo. Brigade
Capt. Jewars, b Zimmerman 11
Mme. Ellis, lb.w., b Lee 0
Capt. Carter, c and b Lee 0
Mme. Sharrow, b Zimmerman 0
Capt. Cliffe, b Lee 0
Rev. Arter, c Stapleton, b Fenton 0
Capt. Peckham, c Fenton, b Zimmerman 1
Mme. Robinson, b Zimmerman 0
Cpl. Matthews, b Zimmerman 0
Mme. Meakin, run out 0
Lt. Cass, not out 4
Extras 2

Total BOWLING ANALYSIS
O. M. R. W.
P. E. Zimmerman 9 0 15 5
R. E. Lee 7 3 7 3
K. Lo 2 0 5 0
J. C. Fenton 0 4 0 1

K.C.C.
C. I. Stapleton, b Arter 12
K. Lo, b Cass 0
V. White, b Arter 0
F. E. Zimmerman, c Robinson, b Cass 0
R. E. Lee, lb.w., b Carter 33
A. Zimmerman, b Matthews 21
E. Light, run out 0
J. C. Fenton, b Cass 0
E. Guest, b Matthews 0
E. C. Fincher, not out 15
J. Guest, b Peckham 0
Extras 2

Total BOWLING ANALYSIS
O. M. R. W.
Rev. Arter 8 1 24 2
Lt. Cass 6 1 25 0
Mme. Ellis 5 0 21 0
Capt. Carter 5 0 17 1
Cpl. Matthews 4 0 6 2
Capt. Peckham 0 2 0 0

EMIGRATED IN FREEZE-UP

Frankfurt, Feb. 7. The Neue Presse said today that several hundred Germans took advantage of the freezing weather to emigrate illegally across the ice of Lake Constance into Switzerland.

It said the Swiss hurriedly organised an ice patrol to deal with the immigration.—United Press.

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LAND FORCES DEFEAT RECREIO

Runs were hard to get on the Club de Recreio ground yesterday when H.Q. Land Forces succeeded in defeating the Club de Recreio by four wickets but not before they had experienced one or two shocks.

Bowley and Andrews opened the visitors' attack and wickets fell regularly till Pereira came to his side's rescue with a valuable 22 before being clean bowled by Baker. The latter, a medium pace bowler, was making his debut in local cricket.

Facing the bowling of Pereira and L. G. Gosano, the army team also found runs hard to get and three wickets fell for a mere fifteen runs. Phelps put his side in a better position, but three more wickets fell, at 38 and it was left to Andrews and Kennedy to ensure a victory for their side. A feature of the game was the spectacular fielding of G. N. Gosano, not forgetting a very good catch by Alves at first slip.

It is relevant at this stage to pay a tribute to Major Rowley, the skipper of the army side. He was playing his last match in the Colony and there is no doubt that he will be missed by his colleagues both on and off the field. Undoubtedly, it has been his enthusiasm which has enabled H.Q. Land Forces to take such an active part in local cricketing circles.

Club de Recreio

L. G. Gosano, c Baker, b Rowley 0
G. N. Gosano, b Andrews 13
A. M. Frata, c and b Andrews 1
A. Lopes, b Rowley 2
A. P. Pereira, b Baker 3
N. A. Beltrao, c Tierney, b Rowley 1
A. V. Gosano, c Wellings, b Baker 4
R. M. Soares, b Baker 0
J. L. S. Alves, c Andrews, b Kennedy 2
L. Osmond, b Baker 0
J. A. Yvanovich, not out 1
Extras 9

Total 49

BOWLING
Rowley 3-15, Andrews 2-11, Kennedy 1-9, Baker 4-5, Tierney 0-7.

H.Q. Land Forces

L. Cpl. Wellings, b L. G. Gosano 6
Bombardier Baker, lb.w., b Pereira 2
Gnr. Taft, b Frata 1
Capt. Saunders, c Alves, b Pereira 5
Lt. Phelps, b G. N. Gosano 18
L. Cpl. Tierney, b G. N. Gosano 9
Sgmn. Kennedy, b L. G. Gosano 14
QMS Andrews, lb.w., b L. G. Gosano 20
G. Gosano 0
Sgmn. Cockrell, not out 0
Extras 9

Total (8 wickets) 75

BOWLING

Pereira 2-20, L. G. Gosano 3-22, Frata 1-11, G. N. Gosano 2-13.

WESTCHESTER CUP

London, Feb. 7.

Probably the most famous polo trophy in the world, the Westchester Cup, may become open for a competition to the world.

Before the war the contest was restricted to England and the United States. American hopes of resumption by 1950 have only the faintest prospect of fulfilment, while apart from a few country club games, polo in England has been suspended and equipment, as well as the requisitioning of grounds and the expense.

It is reported from America that "after a decent interval" the United States Polo Association will ask England's permission to change the date of the gift of the International trophy, which stipulates that it must be contested by players from Hurlingham, representing England, and Meadowbrook, the United States.

American "have held" the Cup since 1921 and want to make it open to challenge by the world. A team of Maharajahs have invited Americans to play in India next winter, with a return match at Meadowbrook in 1949.

A Hurlingham official today said: "There is no likelihood of polo on a pre-war scale here for a long time to come. Apart from all other adverse factors, the cost of the game is now almost prohibitive."—Reuter.

CANADIAN WAR GRAVES

The graves of a number of Canadian Service personnel lost during action in Hong Kong have not as yet been located.

It would be deeply appreciated if any person, having knowledge of the death and/or burial of Canadians in Hong Kong during the period of hostilities would communicate with the D.A.D. War Graves, Room 18, Post Office Building, 3rd floor, Telephone 24190.

J. A. BAILIE, Lt. Col., Canadian War Graves (Pacific), Hongkong, 6th February, 1947.

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Parts for 4 barges are to be sold to the highest bidder. The dimensions of the barges are 78 ft. by 23 ft. by 9 ft.; 80 tons capacity. These parts are incomplete, and additional material is required to complete them. An inventory of the available parts can be seen upon request.

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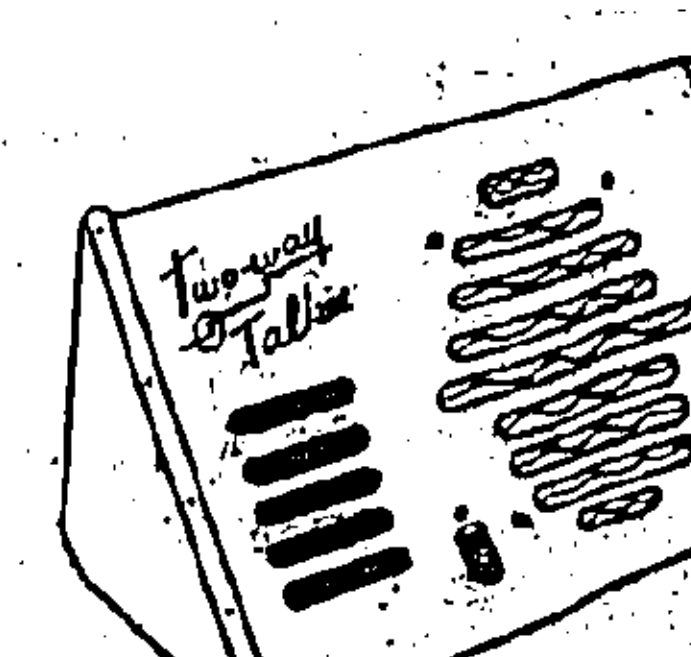
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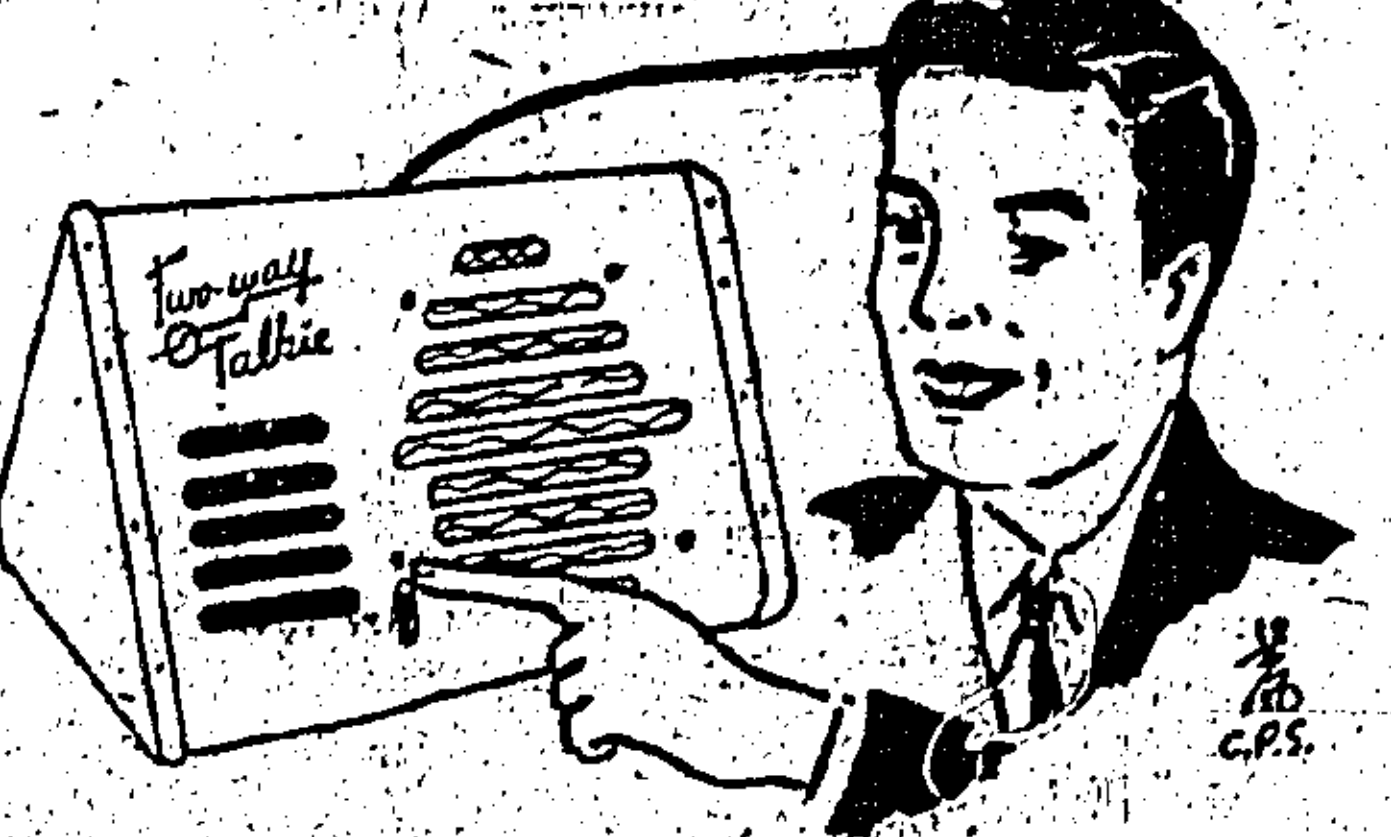
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MORE ELECTRICITY CUTS Drastic Move To Deal With Fuel Crisis Industry To Be Main Sufferer

London, Feb. 7. Drastic cuts in electricity supplies in certain parts of Britain were announced today. From Monday no electricity will be supplied to any industrial consumer in London, the South Eastern counties, the Midlands District, with its centre the industrial area of Birmingham, or the North Western district, centred on Manchester.

Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, Fuel Minister, announced this Government decision in reply to a debate in the House of Commons on the coal crisis today.

He said that Sheffield, home of the steel industry, and Yorkshire generally would not be affected, nor would several other areas. It might be possible to avoid a cut in the Lancashire area after the first day or so. It was hoped, he said, that the cuts would not last longer than three or four days—certainly not more than a week.

In areas where cuts are taking place deliveries to domestic consumers will also be cut off for three hours in the morning and two in the afternoon.

The difficulty was transport, which had been hampered by severe weather. Electricity power stations, he said, were now in the gravest position, not being able to carry on over next week. Some of the smaller ones would have to close down.

Mr. Shinwell's announcement came after attacks on the Government's handling of the situation by the Opposition and its own supporters.

Grave Crisis

The former Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, speaking for the Conservative Opposition, had declared that Britain faced the gravest industrial crisis of the last 20 years.

He accused the Government of completely misjudging the coal situation by taking a too optimistic view of the gap between industrial demands and the supply of coal.

The Government had been too late with the Cripps plan for allocation of coal to industries in accordance with their importance.

He feared that because of the severity of the weather the Cripps Plan could not now work. He asked the Minister of Fuel, whom he accused of "unparalleled mismanagement," what he proposed to do.

Mr. Ellis Smith, formerly Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade under Sir Stafford Cripps—who is responsible for the allocation of coal to industry—said there were 15,000 unemployed in his area.

Over 200 cotton firms had stopped work because there was no coal. He asserted that details of the Cripps Plan had not been worked out.

Bureaucracy

Another Labour member, Mr. Raymond Blackburn, who complained of his inquiries being passed from Ministry to Ministry, said the Labour Party must be crusaders against bureaucracy or it would kill Socialism.

Austin Motor Manufacturers could only work one week if the coal allocation was revised, he declared.

Mr. Shinwell said that all (Labour) accused the Opposition of deliberately exaggerating the situation and talking about a crisis which they did not believe so as to find the road back to power which they could never get any other way.

The debate took place on a motion for adjournment of the House, which means that there was no question of a vote.

Ships' Bunkers

London, Feb. 7. The statement tonight by the Ministry of Fuel and Power that though the export of coal from Britain remains prohibited, ships will be allowed to load their bunkers, is the latest step in a succession of reports and denials.

In the House of Commons today Lord Winterton (Cons.) asked whether the statement in all newspapers, including the Daily Herald, the official Labour organ, that ships had been permitted to load their bunkers was true.

"PRIVATE" WAS GENERAL

London, Feb. 7. The Daily Telegraph reported tonight from Copenhagen that General von Haacke, commander in chief of the German forces in Denmark from 1942 to 1946, had been found in a British prisoner of war camp in Germany, disguised as an ordinary Nazi soldier.

The dispatch said von Haacke, an accused war criminal, was expected to be handed over to Denmark for trial.—United Press.

Britain Wants More Info

London, Feb. 7. An answer has been sent to Marshal Stalin's recent letter to the British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, on the subject of the Anglo-Soviet Alliance.

No official text is being published, but it may be assumed, writes Reuters' diplomatic correspondent, that the reply seeks for further information on Stalin's views concerning the "reservations" in the existing text of the Anglo-Soviet Treaty which, he said, required revision.

The next step is, therefore, expected to be a Russian clarification of the general terms of Stalin's last letter. It is thought unlikely that this will lead to any formal negotiations for revision of the text of the Alliance before the Moscow conference in March, when Mr. Bevin will have the opportunity to discuss the whole range of Anglo-Soviet relations with Stalin at first hand.—Reuters.

NEW C-IN-C SEAC

Singapore, Feb. 7. Lieutenant-General Sir Neil Ritchie, arrived in Singapore today. He was met on arrival by Lieutenant-General Sir Montagu Stopford, whom he will succeed as Commander-in-Chief, South East Asia Land Forces.—Reuters.

World's Ten Most Glamorous Women

London, Feb. 8. A list of the world's ten most glamorous women, without a film star among them, is enough to make anyone look twice, writes a "News-Chronicle" correspondent.

It is published today by the International Artists Committee, a New York organisation, and since they should know something of glamour I pored over it to discover that they had attached the adjective to a princess, a delusive and alluring charm. These owners of magical beauty, according to the Committee, include Miss Zina Vishinsky, daughter of the Russian's Deputy Foreign Minister, who, when I met her in London last year, certainly showed charm. But I do not think she would lay claim to beauty, magical, or otherwise. She, by the way, is the lawyer.

I wonder if Committee members have taken the trouble to look up a definition of glamour. The Oxford Dictionary, for instance, suggests that they have paid these women a back-handed compliment, for it gives glamour as "a magical or fictitious beauty attaching to any person or thing; a delusive and alluring charm. These owners of magical beauty, according to the Committee, include Miss Zina Vishinsky, daughter of the Russian's Deputy Foreign Minister, who, when I met her in London last year, certainly showed charm. But I do not think she would lay claim to beauty, magical, or otherwise. She, by the way, is the lawyer.

Others in the list include James Mason's actress wife, Pamela Kellino, whose beauty is far from being fictitious. Mrs. Edmund Wilson, wife of a popular author, Mrs. Ewyle Wynne, wife of the film comedian, who recently divorced her husband and married Van Johnson.

Then there is a homely, buxom, American ex-pilgrimage servant, Mrs. Betty MacDonald, who has made \$50,000 out of de-glamorising farming in a book called "The Egg and I". The psychologist is Miss Alice Lavers, and the opera singer Miss Mona Pauley, whose mezzo-soprano is enhanced by an ability to wear clothes with distinction. And the society hostess, who probably approximates more to the dictionary definition, are Henry Ford's granddaughter and Miss Janet Michael.

EISLER TO BE RELEASED

New York, Feb. 7. Federal Judge John Bright signed a writ of habeas corpus for the release of Gerhard Eisler from the immigration authorities, but gave the Government a week to show cause why the "reputed leader" of American Communists should not be released, after the Government counsel said the Government needed more time to complete its case.

Eisler's attorney, Carol King, asked for a writ on the grounds that Eisler was being detained illegally.—United Press.

Big Guns On Land "Ships"

New York, Feb. 8. America's newest "secret" weapons are monster mobile fortresses with "battleship-size guns which throw shells for 27 miles.

The Chrysler Corporation disclosed today that it recently delivered to the Army several of these fortresses, weighing 60 tons or more, with twice the speed and armour of any tank.

They describe them as "the forerunners of the weapons of the future."

The largest is described officially as a 60-ton land battlewagon. It carries either a 10-inch howitzer, with a barrel 27ft. long, or an 8in. gun with a 35ft. 8in. barrel.

The howitzer shoots a 360lb. shell 16 miles and the 8in. sends a 240lb. shell 27 miles.

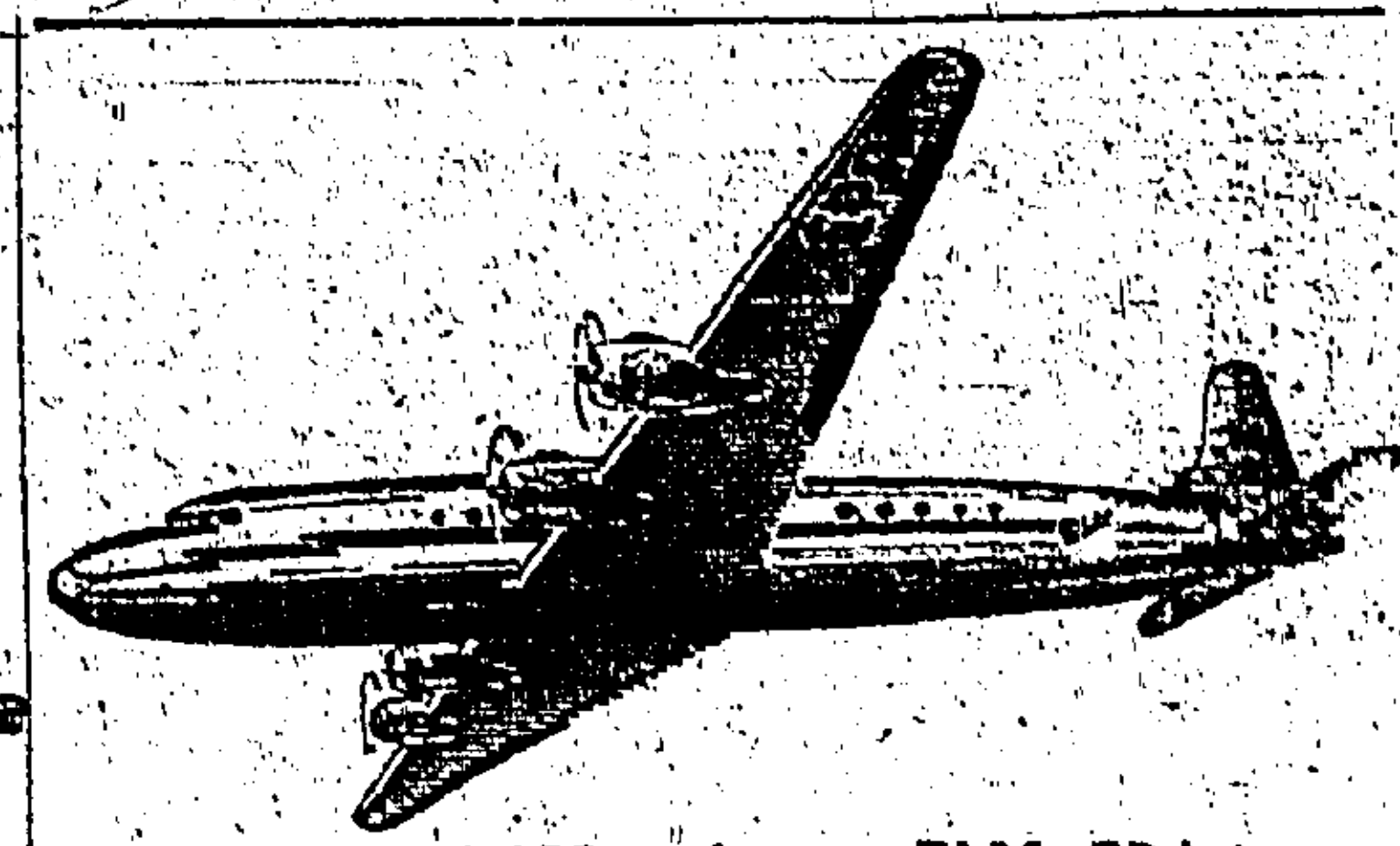
Paris, Feb. 7. Early optimism on the Spanish Republican Premier designate, Rodolfo Llopias' attempts to form a Cabinet vanished tonight as he conferred with Left Republican leaders.

Still awaiting conferences with Llopias this evening were representatives of the CNT and the Communists.

The Left Republican leaders reportedly were demanding that Llopias specify more clearly what his Republican programme will include.

Although Llopias had expected to be able to announce a Cabinet by noon today or early tonight there appeared little likelihood of his succeeding immediately.

As of tonight, Llopias had received definite promises of support from only two parties, the Republican Union and the CNT.—United Press.



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BRITAIN'S NEW PLAN FOR PALESTINE ISSUE

London, Feb. 7.

At today's meeting of the Cabinet the British delegation to the Palestine Conference was authorised to circulate as the basis for further discussion a fresh proposal both to the Arab delegation and to the Jewish Agency delegates, with whom simultaneous unofficial conversations have been held.

No details of the contents of the proposal will be published before negotiations are resumed. British officials hope that this will be early next week, which would give both Arabs and Jews time to study the proposal.

If any agreement emerges from the renewed negotiations it is understood that the Cabinet has pledged itself to accept them. In the event of there being no agreement, the Cabinet has made no advance commitment of its attitude.

Although no official details of the new British plan are available, the earlier indications that it is not based on partition were confirmed tonight after distribution of the text to Jewish representatives and the Arab delegation.

Local administration for a limited period under trusteeship is believed to form the basis of the latest offer.

Not Face-Saving

Previous statements of representative Arab and Jewish spokesmen are taken at their face value and there would appear to be little prospect of acceptance of the proposals by either side, but British officials were insistent tonight that the new plan represented no mere face-saving formula, but a genuine attempt to provide the basis of a solution acceptable to both parties if they on their side are willing to make it work.

If the forecasts of a limited trusteeship period are correct, this would imply that the British plan envisages the emergence of an autonomous state at the end of that period.

If both sides reject the new

proposal, as they have threatened to do in advance, then recourse to the United Nations Organisation would appear to be the only solution which avoids forcing an imposed solution upon either Jews or Arabs, or both—which Mr. Ernest Bevin is understood to have declared that he would avoid at all costs. The practical difficulty which arises here is that the General Assembly of the U.N.O. to which the British Government would presumably refer the case, is not due to meet until next September.

Jewish Objection

While it is felt that in view of the intransigent attitude already adopted by both the Arab delegation and the Jewish Agency, the new plan is certain to come in for criticism from both sides, it is believed that the plan does at least meet important points on both sides by avoiding partition as the basis of settlement on the one hand and by making provision for same further immigration on the other.

The Arab delegates will meet tomorrow to consider the British proposals. Their spokesman, Dr. Fakhri Jamali, Iraq's Foreign Minister, reiterated tonight the Arabs' resolve not to agree to any scheme involving further Jewish immigration, or placing any part of Arab-owned territory under Jewish administrative control. Jewish leaders will also meet to consider the proposals tomorrow. Their chief objection to the scheme is likely to be that it does not provide for a contiguous Jewish territory in Palestine, which represented their minimum demand.

Immigration

The new plan, according to one well-informed source, provides for controlled Jewish immigration at the rate of 4,000 a month for the first two years. After this period, the position would be reviewed.

This proposal, if confirmed, would very nearly provide the figure of 100,000 Jewish immigrants as suggested by President Truman, although the President wanted them to be admitted immediately.

One of the basic Jewish demands has always been that decisions on immigration, even if only to part of Palestine, should be a matter entirely for the Jews themselves.

There seems no likelihood that the Arab delegation will accept the proposals.—Reuter.

100,000 At Once?

London, Feb. 7.
A Daily Express diplomatic correspondent today reported that the Government will authorise immediate entry of 100,000 Jews into Palestine as signs multiplied that in hewing out the bitterly disputed policy for the future Government of Palestine, the Cabinet would relax restrictions on Jewish immigration.

However, the Cabinet was split widely and there were signs that the final decision on Palestine's future would be delayed possibly until the next week.

There was no sign that either the Jews or Arabs had relaxed their uncompromising attitude.—United Press.

Gamblers' Touts On Strike

New York, Feb. 8.

Three hundred of New York's professional "gambling touts" are on strike against allegedly exorbitant bribes they are forced to pay in order to practise their illegal profession, according to the sensational tabloid New York Daily News.

The gambling agents reportedly complained that the "pay off" in New York has risen to between \$8,500 and \$15,000 monthly.

Incidentally, there have been extensive inquiries and real investigation directed toward New York's police forces lately spurred by public criticism over such incidents as the unsolved "political murder" of a police worker last November and professional gambling scandals.—Central News.

OPERATION POLLY OVER

Jerusalem, Feb. 7.
"Operation Polly"—the evacuation of British families from Palestine—was completed today.

During the last four days the Army has moved 1,396 military and civilian families. The last trainload left Sarafand military campment for Egypt today.—Reuter.

Bitter Attack On Greece

Athens, Feb. 7.

In the bitterest attack on the Greek Government yet heard by the United Nations Commission investigating Greek allegations of frontier violations by her neighbours, Albania today accused Greece of pursuing a policy of "imperialistic designs and warlike aggression towards Albania."

Refuting the Greek charges as "absurd and ignoble falsifications," the Albanian delegate, Colonel Nesti Kerenezi, endorsed the accusation made by the Bulgarians yesterday that the Greeks themselves were responsible for the present situation.

He alleged that the Albanian, Bulgarian and Yugoslav "Fascists" who had found refuge in Greece were left free to "plot against the democratic regimes in Albania, Bulgaria and Yugoslavia."

He demanded that the United Nations Commission investigate fully the internal situation in Greece, which he contended was the cause of the present critical situation.—Reuter.

GOVERNORSHIP FIGHT OVER

Atlanta, Georgia, Feb. 8.

Lieutenant Governor M. E. Thompson was declared Georgia's legal Governor today in the first court decision involving the Governorship tangle.

Superior Judge Claude Porter ruled Thompson was acting Governor and the legislature had no authority to elect Herman Talmadge as Governor.

But the court did not order Talmadge to relinquish.—Associated Press.

New Baconian Theory On Shakespeare

London, Feb. 7.

The Baconian Society today claimed a "major advance" in its century-old fight to prove that Francis Bacon wrote the plays and poems attributed to William Shakespeare.

Mr. Roderick Eagle, insurance executive and leading Baconian, claimed he found in an ancient book confirmation of the contention that William Shakespeare of Stratford-on-Avon did not own any books.

Shakespeare's detailed will did not mention any books and Shakespeareans have conjectured that he disposed of them before he made out his will or had made provision for their disposal outside of his will.

The Baconians, however, have always contended that Shakespeare did not own any books because he was an unlettered rustic who became an actor and money lender and has only been credited with classics by posterity through a similarity of names with the name of plume of the real author, they say Bacon.

Had No Books

Eagle said that in a medical book "Select observations on English Bodies," published in 1657, Dr. James Cooke refers to the fact he purchased some of his prescriptions from Susannah Shakespeare Hall, eldest daughter of Shakespeare and widow of Dr. John Hall.

Eagle obtained Dr. Hall's manuscripts he asked her what relics there were of her father. Eagle continued, Susannah replied there were none. He then inquired whether there were any books that had belonged to him but was told: "My father had no books."

Eagle contends the official biography of Shakespeare by Sir Sidney Lee left this quotation out in mentioning Mrs. Hall's interview with Dr. Cooke because it would tend to discredit the effort to make "Stratford's Shakespeare" the author of the works.

The Baconian stressed that Stratford's Shakespeare owned no books, yet the Shakespeare who wrote plays and sonnets often praises books and learning.—United Press.

Thought "Vampire" Harmless

Paris, Feb. 7.

Andre Felix, 24-year-old Frenchman stated by the police to have confessed to being the "Vampire of Rueil," responsible for several recent attacks on women, was imprisoned at Versailles today to await trial on charges of attempted rape and assault.

The police said yesterday that Felix, who is an amateur boxer, had confessed to three or four attacks on women or night in the village of Rueil, ten miles from Paris.

They also reported that Felix constantly repeated that he suffered from occasional losses of memory, and he was examined by medical experts on the theory that he might have a split personality. Villagers told the police that they had always known him as a "quiet, harmless man."—Reuter.

Efforts To Save Dov Gruner

London, Feb. 7.

A last-minute effort to save the life of Dov Gruner, Palestine terrorist whose execution is fixed for next Tuesday, is being made in London.

A London firm of solicitors today received instructions from Tel-Aviv advocates to file a petition with the Privy Council on behalf of Frank Gruner, uncle of Dov Gruner, for special leave to appeal to the Privy Council.

Dov Gruner himself has not signed any appeal.

Counsel has been briefed on behalf of Frank Gruner.

The London solicitors concerned and Mr. Max Seligman (one of Palestine's leading criminal advocates) have cabled to the High Commissioner of Palestine at Jerusalem notifying him of the appeal and requesting a postponement of Gruner's execution.

The War Office and the Colonial Office have also been informed. Counsel are being seen tonight and it is hoped that the petition will be lodged with the Privy Council tomorrow morning.—Reuter.

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EARL OF ALMSBURY, who, seeing Amber's obvious infatuation for Bruce, flippantly introduces them at the local inn. Amber persuades Carlton to take her to London with him. Eventually Carlton leaves for the Indies to repair the family fortunes lost in the Civil War. Amber is desolate. She finds herself with child and marries a man who eventually disappears with all the money Carlton had left her.

All alone, Amber gets into debt and is thrown into Newgate Gaol, where she suffers every degradation. In order to escape her lot she gives herself to a notorious highwayman who plans their escape. The highwayman is eventually hanged. Amber then goes on the stage because she learns that actresses cannot be arrested.

She meets Captain Rex Morgan, a gallant from the Court. While Amber is his mistress she is summoned by the King, and dies with him.

Then Bruce Carlton returns. He and Amber go to see their son, who is being cared for by a foster-mother. Rex Morgan hears of her low affair with Carlton and challenges him to a duel. Rex is killed. Bruce once again sails away.

Amber, thinking she is again with child, goes to Tunbridge Wells to take the waters. On the way she meets...

SAMUEL DANGERFIELD, a 60-year-old wealthy City merchant, and a widower. She marries him for his money, and she is soon a widow with £68,000.

Amber has a daughter, Susanna, by Bruce and moves to an apartment in St. Martin's Lane. Bruce returns from sea and catches the plague. Amber nurses him with fanatical devotion. She then catches the plague and Bruce helps to nurse her. As she recovers Bruce makes plans for leaving London.

A FEW days later Amber and Bruce, both emaciated by the plague, left London in Almsbury's yacht. Up to Hampton and Maidenhead, stopping and staying at a spot for as long as they liked.

They spent hours stretched on cushions on the deck, soaking in hot sunlight. Bruce lay naked, his body turning a deep rich brown again. But Amber kept herself covered for fear of tanning her own cream-coloured skin.

Everything Amber saw there in the countryside reminded her of Marygreen, her home village, and Aunt Sarah and Uncle Matt, her foster-parents. She tried to tell Bruce how she felt, adding: "I never used to feel that way about it when I lived there—yet God knows I don't want to go back." He smiled at her tenderly. "You're growing older, darling." "Old," she cried. "Marry come up. I'm not so old. I'm not 22 yet."

He laughed. "I didn't mean

that you're growing old. Only that you're enough older you've begun to have memories—and memories are, always a little sad."

Memories

SHE digested that thoughtfully, and gave a light sigh. It was just at gloaming and they were walking back to the Sapphire through a low, lush river meadow.

"I suppose so," she agreed. Suddenly she looked up at him. "Remember the day we met? I can shut my eyes and see you so plain—the way you sat on your horse, and the look you gave me. It made me shiver inside—I'd never been looked at like that before. I remember the suit you had on—it was black velvet with gold braid—oh, the most wonderful suit! And how handsome you looked! But you scared me a little bit, too. You still do. I think—I wonder why?"

"I'm sure I can't imagine," he seemed amused, for she often thought up such remnants of the past, and she never forgot a detail.

"Oh, but just think! What if Aunt Sarah hadn't sent me that day to take the gingerbread to the blacksmith's wife? We'd never even have known each other! I'd still be in Marygreen!"

"No, you wouldn't. There'd have been other cavaliers going through—you'd have left Marygreen whether you'd ever seen me or not."

"Why, Bruce Carlton! I would not! I went with you because it was fate—it was in the stars! Our lives are planned in heaven, and you know it!"

"No, I don't know it, and you don't either. You may think it, but you don't feel it."

"I don't know what you're talking about."

"I Love You"

SUDDENLY she faced him squarely, her hands catching at his arms. "Don't you think that we were meant for each other, Bruce? You must think so now."

"What do you mean, now?" "Why—after everything we've been through together. Why else did you stay and take care of me then? You could have gone away when you were well and left me alone—if you hadn't loved me."

"My God, Amber, you take me for a greater villain than I am. But, of course, I love you. And in a sense I agree with you that we were meant for each other."

"In a sense? What do you mean by that?"

His arms went about her, the fingers of one hand combing through the long, glossy mass of her hair, and his mouth came down close to hers. "This is what I mean," he said softly. "You're a beautiful woman—and I'm a man. Of course we were meant for each other."

But, though she did not say anything more about it just then, that was not what she wanted to hear. When she had stayed with him in London, at the risk of her own life, she had not thought of or expected either gratitude or return.

But when he had stayed with her, had cared for her as tenderly and devotedly as she had for him—she believed then that he had changed, and that now he would marry her. She had

waited, with growing apprehension and misgiving, for him to speak of it—but he had said nothing.

Oh, but that's not possible, she told herself again and again. If he loved me enough to do all that—he loves me enough to marry me. He thinks I know he will as soon as we're where we can—that's why he hasn't said anything—he thinks I—

But not all her brave assurances could still the doubts and torment that grew more insistent with each day that passed. She began to realise that, after all, nothing had changed—his life just as he had planned it, as though there had never been a plague.

They left the boat at Abingdon and stayed overnight in a quiet old inn. Then on hired horses they set out for Gloucester and Barbary Hill, one of the country seats of the Earl of Almsbury.

Young Bruce was there. Amber and Bruce went to see him. When they entered the nursery little Bruce, with Almsbury's eldest son, was seated at a tiny table studying his horn-book.

But obviously he knew that his parents were coming to see him, for just as they opened the



ALMSBURY TELLS AMBER THAT BRUCE HAS LEFT HER AGAIN

door he looked around with a quick expectancy which suggested many previous eager glances in that direction.

As the horn-book went clattering to the floor, he was off the chair and running toward them joyously. But instantly, at a sharp word from his nurse, he stopped, swept off his hat and bowed with great ceremony, first to Bruce and then to Amber. "I'm glad to see you, sir. And, madame."

But Amber was not in awe of the nurse. She rushed forward, dropped to her knees and swooped him into her arms, covering his pink cheeks with passionate kisses. Tears glistened in her eyes and began to fall, but she was laughing with happiness. "Oh, my darling! My darling! I thought I would never see you again."

"His arms were about her neck. 'But why, madame? I was sure I'd see you both again one day.' Amber laughed, and murmured quickly beneath her breath: 'Damn the nurse! Don't call me madame! I'm your mother, and that's what I'll be called!'

They laughed together at that, he whispered "Mother," and then gave a quick half-apprrehensive, half-defiant look over his shoulder to where the nurse stood watching them.

He was more reserved with Bruce, and apparently felt that they were both gentlemen from whom such demonstrations were not expected. It was obvious, however, that he adored his father. Amber felt a pang of jealousy as she watched them, but she scolded herself for her pettiness, and was even a little ashamed.

"My Hair"

AFTER an hour or so they left the nursery and started back down the long gallery toward their own adjoining apartments at the opposite end of the building.

All of a sudden Amber said: "It isn't right, Bruce, for him to live this way. He's a bastard. What's the use for him to learn to carry himself like a lord—when God knows how he'll shift once he's grown up."

"I've been wanting to talk to you about this, Amber—I want to make him my heir." And then, as a flash of hope went over her face, he hastily added: "In America as one would know whether he's legitimate or not—they'd think he was the child of an earlier marriage."

She stared at him incredulously, her face receding as though from a sudden cruel slap. "An earlier marriage?" she repeated softly. "Then you're married now?"

"No, I'm not. But I'll marry some day."

"That means you still don't intend to marry me."

Like Amber

HE paused, looking at her for a long moment, and one hand, started to move in an involuntary gesture, but dropped to his side again. "No, Amber," he said at last. "You know that. We've talked this all over before."

"But it's different now! You love me—you told me so yourself! And I know you do! You must! Oh, Bruce, you didn't tell me that to—"

"No, Amber, I meant it. I do love you, but—"

"Then why won't you marry me—if you love me?"

"Because, my dear, love has nothing to do with it."

"Nothing to do with it? It has everything to do with it! We're not children to be told by our parents whom we'll marry! We're grown up and can do as we like."

"I intend to."

For several seconds she stared at him, while the desire to lash out her hand and slap him surged and grew inside her. But something she remembered—a hard and glittering expression in his eyes—held her motionless.



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He stood there watching her, almost as though waiting, and then at last he turned and walked out of the room.

Nan arrived a fortnight later with Susanna, the wet-nurse, Tansy, and Big John Waterman. They had spent the four months going from one village to another, fleeing the plague! Despite everything only one cartload had been stolen; almost all of Amber's clothes and personal belongings were intact. She was so grateful that she promised Nan and Big John £100 each when they returned to London.

Bruce was enchanted with his seven-month-old daughter. Susanna's eyes were no longer blue, but now a clear-green, and her hair was bright, pure, golden blonde, not the tawny colour of her mother's. She did not very much resemble either Bruce or Amber, but she gave every promise of being a beauty, and seemed already conscious of her destiny, for she flirted between her fingers and giggled delightedly at the mere sight of a man. Almsbury, teasing Amber, said that at least there could be no doubt as to her mother's identity.

Bruce Goes

BRUCE rode and went about with Almsbury, but soon he became restless to see what had happened to his ships and the prizes he had brought to the Thames. He wanted to set sail for America again. Amber asked when he would leave. "I want to go back with you," she said. "I don't think you'd better."

Amber. "I'm going to Oxford first—the Court's there now, and I want to see the King about a grant of land. The weather's terrible, and I can't take the time to travel by coach—and once I get to London I'll be so busy I wouldn't be able to see you. Stay here with Almsbury another month or two—the City isn't safe yet."

"I don't care," she insisted stubbornly, "whether it's safe or not. I can see you at all times. I'm going. And it won't hurt me to ride horseback that far. I'll warrant you."

But one noon she stood at her windows and saw a party of horsemen return to the house. She was sure Bruce was not among them. She rushed down the staircase and met Almsbury. "Where's Bruce?" He looked at her uneasily. "He's gone, Amber. Back to London."

"Gone? Without me! But I was going too. I told him I was going!"

"He said that he told you he was going alone," replied Almsbury.

"Blasphemy!" she muttered, and then, all at once, she turned

and started off. "Well, he's not I'm going, too!"

Almsbury shouted her name, but she paid no attention, and ran on, back up the stairs again. Halfway she passed someone she had not seen before, a well-dressed, elderly man, but though he turned and looked after her she ignored him and ran on. "Nan!" she cried violently, bursting into her room—again. "Pack some clothes for me! I'm going to London!"

Nan stared at her, and then looked toward the windows, where the rain was furiously beating and splashing, and the upper branches of an elm tree could be seen writhing with the wind. "To London, mam? In this weather?"

"Damn the weather! Pack my clothes, I tell you anything, I don't care! Throw it in!"

"Be Sensible"

SHE was yanking loose the bows that fastened the front of her bodice, and now she tore the gown down and stepped out of it, kicking it to one side as she went to the dressing-table and began to slam her bracelets on to its polished wood surface. Her face was glowing and her teeth clenched furiously.

Damn him! she thought. At least he could let me have that much! I'll show him! I'll show him!

Nan scurried about, pulling gowns and smocks and shoes off hooks and out of drawers. Both women were so occupied they did not see Almsbury open the door and come in until he spoke.

"Amber! What in the devil are you doing?"

"Going to London! What d'ye think?"

She did not even glance at him but was jerking the bodkins out of her hair, which tumbled down her back. He crossed over swiftly and his face appeared behind her in the mirror. She gave him a truculent glare, daring him to try to stop her.

"Leave the room, Britton! Do as I say!" he added, as Nan hesitated, looking at Amber. "Now listen to me! Do you want to make a fool of yourself? He doesn't want you in London. He doesn't think it's safe and he doesn't care to be troubled with you—he's going to be busy."

"I don't care what he wants, I'm going anyway. Nan!" She whirled about, shouting the girl's name, but Almsbury caught her wrist and brought her up short.

"You're not going—if I have to tie you to a bedpost! It is possible to have plague twice, you know. If you had any sense you wouldn't want to go back—for nothing. Bruce left because he had to. His ships may be ruined or plundered by now and if they haven't been they would be soon after the town began to fill again. Now, darling, for God's sake be sensible. He'll be back again some day; he said he would."

Amber looked up at him, her lower lip still rolled out stubbornly, but tears were in her eyes and beginning to slide over her cheeks. She sniffled, but she did not protest when he put his arms about her.

"But why," she asked him at last, and caught her breath on a sob, "why didn't he even say 'good-bye' to me? Last night—why, last night was just 'good-bye'!"

He pressed her head to his chest and stroked her hair. "Just maybe, sweetheart—it was because he didn't want to quarrel."

Amber gave a mournful little wail and burst into tears at that, her arms going about his neck for comfort. "I—I wouldn't have quarrelled! Oh, Almsbury! I love him so much!"

He let her cry, holding her close, until at last she began to grow quiet again. Then he took out a handkerchief and gave it to her.

To turn her mind away, he asked: "Did you notice the gentleman coming downstairs as you were going up?"

She wiped her red eyes and tear-stained face. "No, I didn't. Why?"

"He asked me who you were. He thinks you're the most beautiful woman he's ever seen."

Vanity crept through her grief. "Who is he?"

"He's Edmund Mortimer, Earl of Radclyffe—one of the oldest and most honoured families in England. Come on, darling, let's go down. He wants to be presented."

"I don't care if he does," said Amber. "I don't want to know anyone else."

"To tell you the truth, I think he might make you a proposal," smiled Almsbury.

"A proposal? I'm never going to get married again."

"Not even to an earl..." said his Lordship, thoughtfully. "I thought I heard you say something to Bruce the other night

THE BOOK EVERYONE IS TALKING ABOUT

like: "Just wait till I'm the Countess of Puddledock." Here's your chance. "I suppose you told the old dotard how rich I am. Well, I'll come down. But I'm not going to marry him. I don't care whether I ever get to be a countess or not."

The Earl

BUT she was already thinking. "If the next time Bruce saw me I was her Ladyship, Countess of Radclyffe, he'd take some notice of that, I'll warrant you. He's only a baron."

Radclyffe was 37. Slight and delicate, with narrow shoulders and thin legs, he was three inches taller than Amber. His face was severe and ascetic looking. Decayed yellow teeth showed between his tightpressed lips.

It did not seem to her that he was so interested in her as Almsbury had said, and since she had come half to be flattered by a man's goggle-eyed staring, she was disappointed and bored. She paid little attention to the rest of the conversation, and as soon as dinner was over escaped back to her room.

The apartments she had shared with Bruce for more than a month were dreary and deserted now, and the fact that he had so recently been there made them even lonelier. She wandered forlornly from one room to another, finding something to remind her of him everywhere she looked.

In Tears

SUDDENLY Amber dropped to her knees and burst into shaking sobs. She had never felt more lonely, hopeless, and despairing.

Two or three hours later when Almsbury gave a knock at the door and then came in, she was stretched out on her stomach on the bed, head buried in her arms, no longer crying but merely lying there—listless.

"Amber—" He spoke to her softly, thinking that she might be asleep.

She turned her head. "Oh, come in, Almsbury." He sat down beside her, and she rolled over on her back and lay looking up at him. Her hair was rumpled and her eyes red and swollen, her head ached vaguely, but persistently, and her expression was dull and apathetic. Almsbury's rusty face was now serious and kindly, and he bent to kiss her forehead.

"Poor little sweetheart."

"Best For Boy"

AT the sound of his voice the tears welled irresistibly again, rolling out of the corners of her eyes and streaking across her temples. She bit at her lower lip, determined to cry no longer; but for several moments they were quiet, and one of Almsbury's square hands stroked over her head.

"Almsbury," she said at last. "Did Bruce leave without me because he's going to get married?"

"Married? Good Lord, not that I know anything about. No, I swear he didn't."

She gave a sigh and looked away from him, out the windows. "But some day he'll get married—and he says when he does he wants to make Bruce his heir."

Her eyes came back again, slightly narrowed now and suddenly hard, with resentment. "He won't marry me—but he'll make my son his heir. A pretty fetch!" Her mouth twisted bitterly and she gave a kick of her toe at the blankets.

"But you will let him, won't you? After all, it would be best for the boy."

"No, I won't let him! Why should I? If he wants Bruce, he can marry me!"

"I Hate Him"

ALMSBURY continued to watch her for several seconds, but then all at once he changed the subject. "Tell me! What's your opinion of Radclyffe?"

She made a face. "A nasty old slubber-degullion. I hate him. Anyway, he didn't seem so mightily smitten by me. Why, he scarcely gave me a glance, once he'd made his leg."

He smiled. "You forget, my dear. He belongs to another age than ours. The Court of the first Charles was a mighty formal and discreet place—ogling wasn't the fashion there, nor might admire a lady."

"Is he rich?"

"He's very poor. The War ruined his family."

"Then that's why he thinks I'm so handsome?"

"Not at all. He said you're the finest woman he's seen in two-score years—you remind him, he says, of a lady he once knew, long ago."

"And who can that be, pray?" Almsbury shrugged. "He didn't say. Some mistress he had, most likely. Men are never favourably reminded of their wives."

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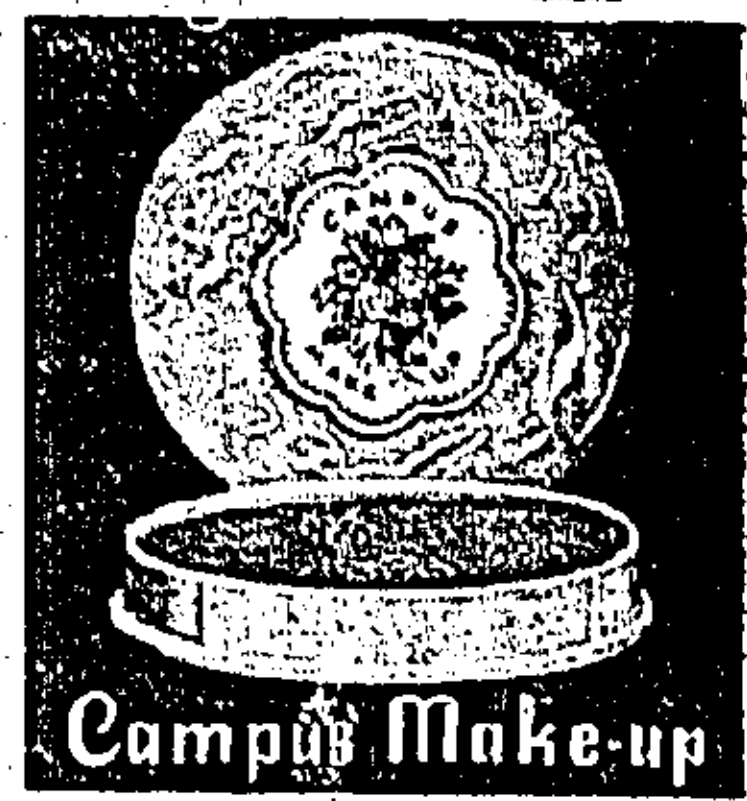
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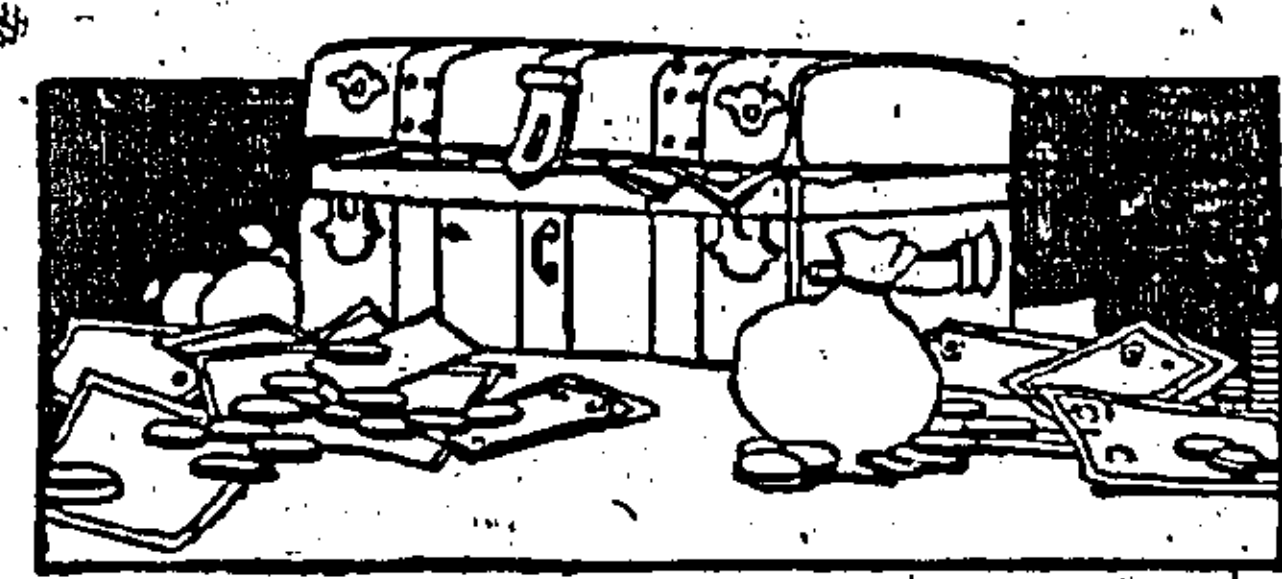
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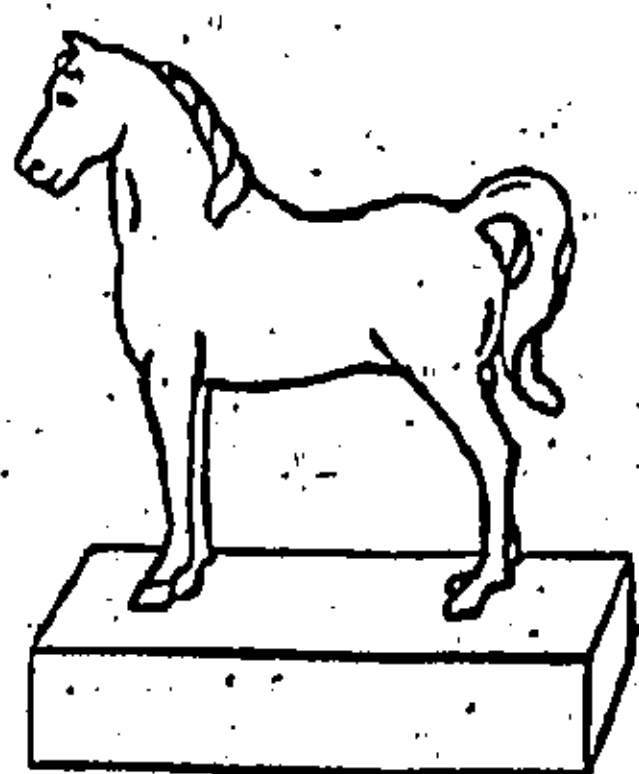
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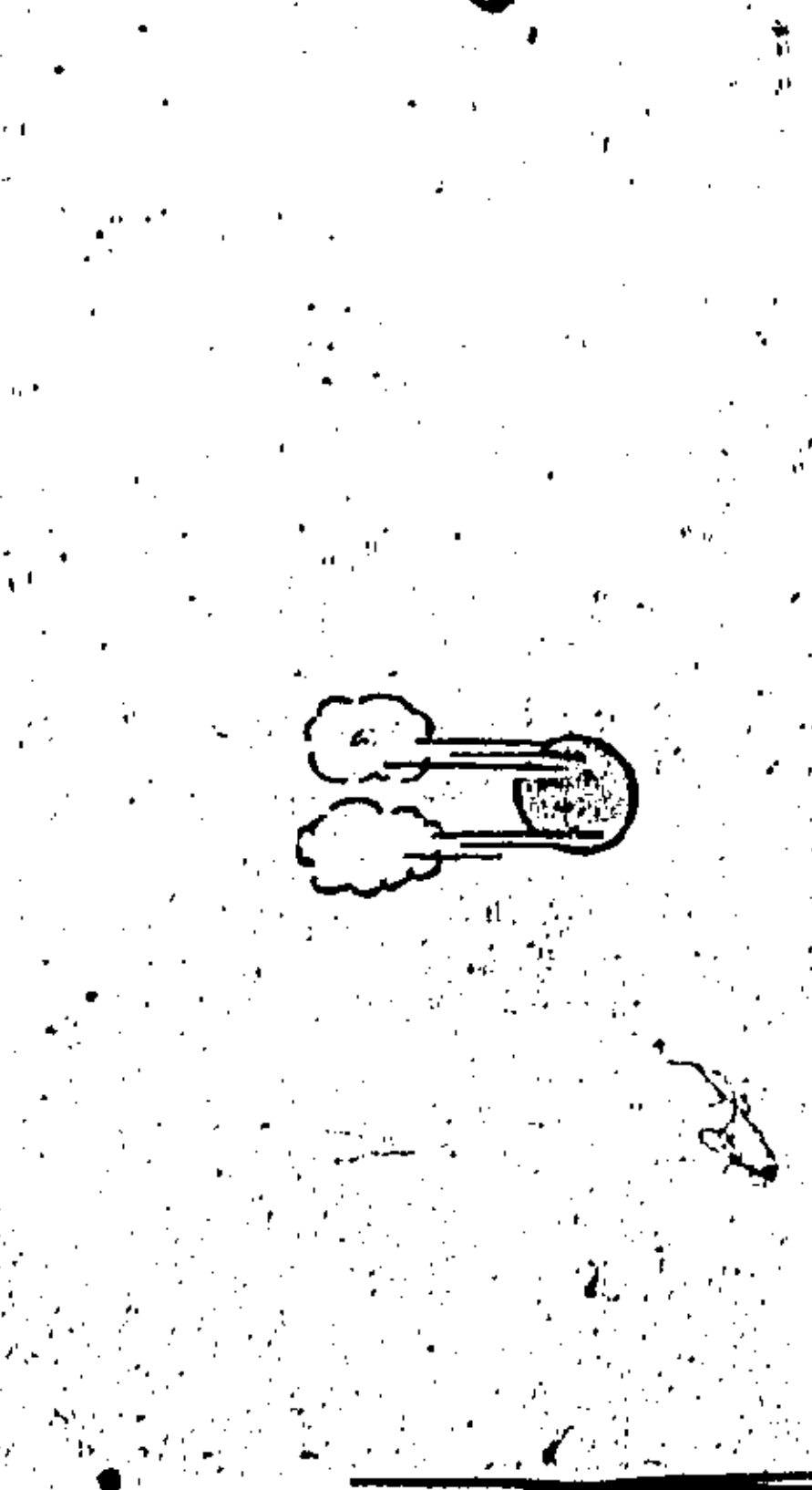
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FOREIGN POLICY SURVEY

Marshall Gives His First Interview

No Reduction Of U.S. Armed Forces

Washington, Feb. 7. General George C. Marshall, Secretary of State, in a world-wide survey of United States foreign policy at his first press conference, said today that the conclusion of an international agreement on disarmament should await completion of the European and Far Eastern peace settlements.

He insisted that agreement on the international control of atomic energy is "of first importance" and declared that the United States would not reduce its military strength in any way until a real system of collective security had been established.

He considered universal military training necessary to back up the United States foreign policy.

Other points in General Marshall's survey were: The Pacific; the United States will submit its plan for the trusteeship of former Japanese mandated islands in the Pacific to the United Nations Security Council on or about Feb. 17; Britain, Russia and Australia had asked for clarification and suggested postponement until after the Japanese peace treaty. The United States thought postponement unnecessary but would leave it to the Council.

United States Marines were being withdrawn from China because their tasks of helping to repatriate Japanese and guard the communications of the American mediation mission were now over. A small detachment of Marines would remain at Tsingtao, in Northern China—the base for the United States Seventh Fleet operating in the China Seas and where Chinese seamen are being trained for Coastguard duties.

Palestine
Dealing with Russia, General Marshall said the Soviet Government had informed the State Department that no more than 15 or 20 correspondents could be accommodated in Moscow to report next month's meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers. The United States immediately asked Moscow if the number could be increased and asked for broadcasting facilities for radio correspondents.

General Marshall said the United States Government was deeply concerned over the situation in Palestine and is being kept fully and closely informed of "the very critical and delicate discussions now going on in London."

He revealed that the U.S. Ambassador in Warsaw, Mr. Arthur Bliss Lane, is to be recalled soon for consultations and a firsthand report on the recent Polish elections. Recalling the State Department's statement of Jan. 28, which refused recognition of the results of the Polish election, General Marshall said: "As explained at that time this Government intends to continue to follow closely the situation in Poland and while maintaining its interest in the welfare of the Polish people it will retain full

liberty of action to determine its future attitude toward the Government of Poland."

Indo-China
The United States was also "deeply interested in the troubled situation in Indo-China and was hopeful that they could find a pacific basis for adjustment."

Before concluding he said that there were reasonably good prospects of convening the much delayed Rio de Janeiro conference for working out a

self-awarded recommendation, to cash in on human misery. We must ensure that all transactions take place above the counter."—United Press.

speaking at the magazine News Review of the World Forum luncheon here, Morgan said displaced persons were a danger because "unscrupulous parties may seek to exploit them for nationalistic purposes." For this reason, he said, "it behooves us to deal quickly with this problem."

Morgan asked: "Is it too much that we should at once offer DPs full hospitality of naturalization and remove them from the ghastly atmosphere of mental, moral and physical ruin in which they have to struggle so hard to preserve their humanity?"

He continued: "It must be made impossible for the unscrupulous or incompetent individual, under cover of a flood of crocodile tears, of bogus oratory, or armed merely with

STALEMATE

New York, Feb. 7. Hope has been abandoned for a private settlement of Russo-American differences over disarmament and it has been decided to return the stalemate to the Security Council, it was learned today.—United Press.

NO DUCKING FOR THEM

London, Feb. 8. Because of their royal birth, Princess Elizabeth and Margaret Rose will probably be spared the traditional ducking in cold water when the battleship "Vanguard," carrying them and their parents to South Africa crosses the Equator on Monday.

An Exchange Telegraph message from the vessel, now well past the 2,000 miles mark on the long voyage, said that the Princesses would take part in the ceremony with others aboard who have never crossed the Equator before, but would not go through the ducking bath.—Associated Press.

heretofore defence pact with the Latin-American countries. He insisted that there had been no change in the United States Government's attitude to the Argentine Government and they still insisted on the de-Nazification of Argentina by General Peron's Government.—Reuter.

London, Feb. 7. Lt-Gen. Sir Frederick Morgan, until recently head of UNRRA in the British zone, today suggested that 500,000 displaced persons in Germany be

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Church Notices

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(Kowloon Tong School, Cumberland Road, Kowloon Tong)

9th February, 1947. Sunday Services: 8.30 Cantonese Sunday School, 11.30 Cantonese Worship Service, Speaker: Rev. Robert Patterson, Kwai Tin, Kwangai, South China. Subject: The Cross of Christ. Text: Galatians 6:14. Celebration of the Lord's Supper will take place at the close of the morning service. Rev. R. Patterson, officiating; assisted by the Rev. John Bechler and Mr. Yee Yee. 7.30 p.m. English Evangelistic Service, Speaker: Rev. A. Kwai Tin, Kwangai, South China. Subject: Right Relationship with God and His Blessings. Text: 1 John 1:16. 15th February, 1947. Choir practice, 7 o'clock.

THE METHODIST CHURCH
The English Methodist Church, Queen's Road East

Sunday, 9th February, 1947. 10.30 a.m. Morning Service, Preacher: Mr. D. Barnard, 6.30 p.m. United Free Church Service, Preacher: Rev. Albert J. Bell, C.F. 7.45 p.m. Social Hour in 8 and 8 Home, Thursday, 18th, February, at 8 p.m. Fellowship Meeting in 8 and 8 Home.

VOLUNTEER HEADQUARTERS
Garden Road

February 4th 1947. At the Volunteer Headquarters, Garden Road, 10.30 a.m. Preacher: The Rev. G. M. Stevenson, 6.30 p.m. A United Free Church Service in the Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Wednesday, February 12th at 8.30 a.m. a meeting of the Committee of Management in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine Matheson.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST
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(A branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ Scientist, Boston Mass.) Sunday Service: 11.15 a.m. Church Building, 211 Macdonald Road. The subject of the Lesson Sermon in the Christian Science Churches on Sunday Feb. 9th is "Spirit." The Golden Text: Zechariah 4:6. Responsive Reading: Luke 11:2, 18-21. Morning at 10.30 a.m. World-famous Christian Science healings are given, are held every Wednesday at 8 p.m. Reading Room open on Wednesday morning 11-12 noon, Tuesday and Friday from 6.30 to 1.40 p.m. at the Church Building. All are welcome.

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Too Many Vitamins Harmful

Cleveland, Feb. 8. President Truman's physician, Brig. General Wallace M. Graham, reported that excess vitamins may be harmful. "We know for instance," he told the first post-war meeting of the American College of Surgeons, "that itching and burning of the skin follow excessive doses of niacin, part of the vitamin B complex. And if vitamin D is used in extremely large amounts in the treatment of arthritis, it may produce calcification of the tissues."

"I think we are just beginning to find out that vitamins may actually be harmful to us. And the tendency for people to take them indiscriminately, without medical advice, is deplorable."

Dr. Gilson C. Engle said that in an Army-sponsored experiment, some people were given vitamin tablets to supplement their diets, while others, eating exactly the same foods, were given sugar pills that looked like the vitamins. Those getting the vitamins showed no different effects than those receiving sugar. And, Dr. Engle added, liver extract and yeast, tried similarly, failed to show benefits.

He said the best manner to obtain vitamins is by a well-rounded diet, and added, "the theory that vitamins ward off colds should be exploded."—Associated Press.

CATHOLIC CHURCHES
Sunday, February 9—Sermon: Sunday

SERVICES FOR H.M. FORCE
At St. Joseph's Church, Holy Mass at 8.30 a.m. Sermon: "Our Lady—Our Mother." Preacher: V. Rev. Fr. R. W. Gallagher, S. J. At the Catholic Centre, Holy Mass at 8.30 p.m.

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ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH
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At 8.30 a.m. Holy Mass (sermon in English); at 10.30 a.m. Choral Mass (sermon in English) and Benediction. At 8 p.m. Catechism classes for children. Weekdays, Holy Mass at 8 a.m.

ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH
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At 7 a.m. Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 8 a.m. Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 9.30 a.m. Choral Mass (sermon in English) and Benediction. Weekdays, Masses at 7.00 and 7.30 a.m.

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Morning Services: At 6.30 Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 7.30 Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 8.30 Choral Mass (sermon in English) and Benediction; at 10.00 Holy Mass (sermon in English). Tuesday, Feb. 11. The Apparition of Our Lady at Lourdes. At 7.30 a.m. Choral Mass. Wednesday, Feb. 12. At 6 p.m. Meeting of the Parochial Conference of St. Vincent de Paul. Friday, Feb. 14. At 7.30 a.m. Novena in honour of Our Lord of Passions. Saturday, Feb. 16. At 2.15 p.m. Catechism classes & Confessions for children. Weekdays, Masses at 6.30 and 7.30 a.m.

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At 6.45 a.m. Holy Mass (sermon in Chinese); at 8 a.m. Choral Mass (sermon in English) and Benediction; at 10.30 a.m. Holy Mass (sermon in English). At 8 p.m. Catechism classes in Chinese. Tuesday, Feb. 11. At 6.30 p.m. Meeting of the C.Y. L.A. at 8.30 p.m. Meeting of the G.A.M.A. Friday, Feb. 14. At 6.30 p.m. Meeting of St. Teresa's Conference of St. Vincent de Paul Society. Weekdays, Masses at 6.30 and 7.30 a.m.

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Masses at 6.30 and 8 a.m.—Catechism and Benediction at 7 p.m. Weekdays, Holy Mass at 6.40 and 7.10 a.m.

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Favourites Oblige At
The Races

Punters had a field day yesterday when the Hong Kong Jockey Club held its First Extra Race Meeting as in six out of eight races the favourites kindly obliged by getting to the post first. Attendance was somewhat below average, with the result that cash-sweep figures were on the low side. Pari-mutuel dividends were satisfactory.

Jackie (G.D.A. Gregory, up) sprang the biggest surprise of the meeting by beating such red-hot favourites as Autumn Rose and Mayfair to pay the highest dividend of the day (\$60.80); while Speedaway returned \$36.20 for each of its place tickets in the Randwick Plate, second section.

In the second race, R.K.C. Black Rock was reached, with Rose Emme (Ostroumoff) the hot favourite third.

Coming down the incline, Red Fox faded completely out of the race after it had been passed by Rose Emme and Wodonga (Boyett). Opposite the public enclosure, Wodonga closed in on Rose Emme and passed the Judges' Stand a neck in front of Rose Emme and one and a half lengths behind the winner.

The special cash sweep held in connection with the Randwick Plate, third section, was won by Ticket No. 55157 (\$41,574).

Full results were as follows:

Wellington Handicap
Race 1—2.00 p.m.—(Official)—Winner \$150.00. Second \$65.00. Third \$45.00. For Hong Kong Services Race Club Ponies. Six Furlongs.

In this three-quarter mile sprint for China ponies of the Hong Kong Services Race Club, Jackie (G.D.A. Gregory) carrying under 10 per cent. of the total win tickets, sprang the biggest surprise of the afternoon by romping in an easy winner, to pay the highest dividend (\$60.80) of the day. Taking the lead from Nigger (Pearne) at the Black Rock, Jackie was never seriously threatened although, when near the Members' Stand, Nigger and The Undertaker were both coming up strongly from the rails and the outside, respectively.

Woa by 4 lengths; a neck.
Time: 1:32.
Pari-mutuel: Win: \$60.80.
Places: \$22.80; \$18.00; \$28.80.
BETTING

Win Place
Autumn Rose, 146 2700 934
Mayfair, 168 (Rowlands) 1630 828
Jacobus, 150 (Newman) 544 390
Jackie, 180 (Gregory) 421 176
Nigger, 160 (Pearne) 221 223
The Undertaker, 145 (Crishfield) 40 41
Rosalind, 162 (Perry) 23 41
Princes, 158 (Dunham) 22 37
Mrs. 150 (Parsons) 21 37

Randwick Plate
Race 2—2.30 p.m.—(First Section)—Winner \$1,750. Second \$750. Third \$500. For Australian Subscription ponies of 1947 that have not won. Open to Non-starters and ponies classified "C" Class. Weight for inches as per scale. Six Furlongs.

M. M. Boyett had an arm-thrower on Cooper as, without being in any way extended, this pony ran home many lengths ahead of Crown Witness (Ching), doing the feat that it bore out wide when negotiating the bend into the straight.

Coming down the home run, Speedaway (Miu) wrestled the second place from Crown Witness only to lose it when passing the Members' Stand.

1. Cooper, 152 (Boyett); 2. Crown Witness, 151 (Ching); 3. Speedaway, 152 (Miu).
Won by many lengths; 3 lengths.
Time: 1:22.2.
Pari-mutuel: Win: \$11.20.
Places: \$6.60; \$7.70; \$36.20.
BETTING

Win Place
Cooper, 152 (Boyett) 5676 2602
Crown Witness, 151 (Ching) 2520 1667
National Congress, 152 (Wood) 4349 1927
Jinx, 152 (C.L. Gregory) 365 502
Jadestone, 149 (Yuen) 715 509
Furioso, 152 (Jones) 193 180
Tootsie, 152 (R.K.C. Chui) 150 301
Speedaway, 152 (Miu) 120 447

Broadmeadows Handicap
Race 3—4.00 p.m.—Winner \$1,500. Second \$500. Third \$450. For Australian ponies "A" Class. Winners of \$7,500 or more in stakes since 1st January, 1947, barred. Six Furlongs.

In one of his all-time rare appearances on the saddle, Don Black scored one of the most popular wins of the day when he skillfully piloted Air Borne past the winning post a neck ahead of Sookunpols (Woo), after contenting himself with a third position until the bend was reached.

On the case of the barrier, Mainland (Ostroumoff) the second favourite jumped to the lead, followed by Daisy Bell and Air Borne, when it began to tire. At the 1-mile post, Air Borne forged ahead holly challenged by Sookunpols and Jeep Lee both of which were coming up strongly on the outside. Mainland was a poor fourth.

1. Air Borne, 143 (Black); 2. Sookunpols, 140 (Woo); 3. Jeep Lee, 144 (Hodgman).
Won by a head; 1 1/2 lengths.
Time: 1:21.
Pari-mutuel: Win: \$14.10.
Places: \$6.50; \$8.80; \$7.60.
BETTING

Win Place
Air Borne, 143 (Black) 4723 2414
Mainland, 152 (Ostroumoff) 2997 1041
Jeep Lee, 144 (Hodgman) 2550 1404
Daisy Bell, 141 (Yuen) 1778 874
Sookunpols, 140 (Woo) 1153 1041
Royal Commission, 152 (Boyett) 1163 465

Oakleigh Plate
Race 3—3.00 p.m.—(First Section)—Winner \$1,750. Second \$750. Third \$500. For Australian Subscription ponies of 1947 that have not won. Open to Non-starters and ponies classified "C" Class. Weight for inches as per scale. Six Furlongs.

The lead taken out by Red Fox (G.D.A. Gregory) was short-lived as it was easily overtaken by Hurricane (Rowlands) before the

Home
Football
Results

London, Feb. 8.
The following were the results of football matches played today:

First Division

Arsenal	1	Blackpool	1
Chelsea	0	Grimsby	0
Sunderland	0	Portsmouth	0
Huddersfield	1	Leeds	1
Wolverhampton	1	Everton	1

(Postponed owing to weather).

Second Division

Southampton	0	West	0
Westham U.	3	N. County	1
Barnsley	1	Swansea	1
Chesterfield	1	Bury	1
Coventry C.	1	Plymouth Argyle	1
Millwall	1	Fulham	1

(All postponed owing to weather).

Amateur International Match
England 3 Ireland 1
(Played at Southport)

Third Division South

Aldershot	1	Notts C.	1
Brighton	3	Norwich	3
Bristol C.	3	Swindon	1
Jewell	1	Palace	1
QPR	1	Manfield	1
2nd	2	Bristol R.	1
Watford	2	Reading	1
Leyton O.	1	Torquay U.	1
Exeter C.	1	Cardiff	1
Norwich	1	Walsall	1
Portsmouth	1	Bournemouth	1

(Postponed owing to bad weather).

Third Division North

Crewe Alex.	1	Rotherham U.	1
Hartlepool	1	Sheff. Wed.	1
Stockport	1	Oldham A.	1
Darlington	1	Halifax	1
Doncaster R.	1	Barrow	1
Gateshead	1	York City	1
Hull	1	Tranmere	1
Lincoln	1	Southport	1
New Brighton	1	Carlisle U.	1
Rochdale	1	Accrington	1
Wrexham	1	Bradford	1

(All postponed owing to weather).

Scottish "A" Division

Clyde	1	Hearts	1
Morton	1	Kilmarnock	1
Q. of South	1	Rangers	1
Celtic	1	St. Mirren	1

(Postponed).

Scottish "B" Division

Alloa	1	Airdrie	1
Cowdenbeath	1	Dundee	1
St. Johnstone	1	Dunfermline	1

(All postponed).

Scottish Cup

SECOND ROUND

Aberdeen	8	Ayr United	1
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FIRST ROUND—REPLAYS

E. Stirling	0	Clackmannan	0
Stenmuir	0	Albion	0
Third Lanark	2	Hamilton A.	1

F.A. Cup

(FIFTH ROUND)

Birmingham	5	Manchester C.	0
Charlton	1	Blackburn R.	0
Liverpool	1	Derby C.	0
Luton Town	0	Burnley	0
Newcastle	1	Leicester	1
Kots For.	2	Midboro	2
Stoke C.	0	Sheff. Wed.	1
Sheff. Wed.	1	Preston	1

(Postponed).

Irish Regional League

Ballymena	3	Coleraine	1
Belfast	2	Liffield	1
Derry	2	Cliftonville	1
Dundalk	2	Glentoran	1

Reuter.

BETTING

V	J	Day	146	(Hodgman)	2505	1516
White Dragon	156	(Yuen)	1478	1005		
The Wolf	135	(Chui)	415	406		
Pat Choy	148	(Boyett)	318	318		
Spanish Onion	151	(G.D.A. Gregory)	236	254		
Lucky Strike	152	(C.L. Gregory)	171	183		

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Randwick Plate
Race 3—5.20 p.m.—(Third Section)—Winner \$1,750. Second \$750. Third \$500. For Australian Subscription ponies of 1947 that have not won. Open to Non-starters and ponies classified "C" Class. Weight for inches as per scale. Six Furlongs.

C. L. Gregory, registered his first win of the day when Arabian Moon romped home for lengths in front of Shannon (Ostroumoff) to pay each of its backers \$45.80, the second highest win dividend of the day.

The pace was set by Blue Peter when it jumped off to a flying start, closely followed by Shannon with Arabian Moon third. On going up the back, the lead was taken by Arabian Moon, with

UNEXPECTED DEFEAT
OF SOUTH CHINA

The unexpected defeat of South China by Chinese Amateurs by the odd goal in three; the gallant fight by the 44 Commandos against Singtao, and the creditable performance of a weak St. Joseph's team in holding a formidable Club side to a draw, were outstanding features in yesterday's football League programme.

South China's defeat places Singtao in a favourable position at the head of the League table. It is now necessary for South China to win their second round game against Singtao for a fortnight hence to be in a challenging position for the title.

Kwong Wah v Eastern
Playing delightful football, Kwong Wah scored a convincing 7-2 victory over Eastern at Caroline Hill yesterday afternoon. Kwong Wah were superior to Eastern in all departments of the game and completely overran them.

Eastern were unable to hold the Kwong Wah forwards in check and in the first half, they were leading by six goals to one. Li Ki-kwong opened the scoring and goals by Yeung Chi-chung, Wong King-chung, Lau Fook-cheun (2) and Lau Chung-kwan followed at regular intervals. Li Wai-lam scored for Eastern.

Taking the field in the second half with comfortable 6-1 lead, Kwong Wah eased up and were content to play on the defensive for most of the time. During one of their occasional breakaways, Wong King-chung was fouled in the Eastern penalty area and Cheuk Shek-kam put Kwong Wah further ahead when he made no mistake with the spot kick.

Taking up the running again, Eastern reduced the Kwong Wah lead when Li Ping-chiu scored from a penalty awarded for hands against a Kwong Wah defender. No further scoring took place and the game ended with the score 7-2 in favour of Kwong Wah.

Kwong Wah: Li Kwok-ki, Wong Suk-ki, Leung Pak-wai, Chan Yuen-ki, Lam Tak-po, Yeung Chi-chung, Cheuk Shek-kam, Lai Ki-kwong, Lau Chung-kwan, Lau Fook-cheun, Wong King-chung.

Eastern: Leung Tin-tong, Fok Yiu-wah, Chan Lam, Chu Tak-wing, Shiu Ping-chung, Tang Tai-chuen, Li Wai-lam, Kwok S., Li Ping-chiu, Cheung Chung-kan, Yuen Yiu-lam.

Club v St. Joseph's
At Sookunpols yesterday, a weak St. Joseph's team drew with Club two-all, after leading at the interval by two clear goals in a First Division game.

Club had a strong forward line which included Redman, formerly of 1/5 Commandos, and Knox, but good work by B. Gosano, in the centre half position, prevented both these players from becoming very dangerous.

St. Joseph's opened the scoring through Omar and shortly afterwards increased the lead through Ward, following some good play by the Pereira brothers.

In the second half Bickford scored for Club and shortly afterwards Redman equalised. Club had most of the play after this but could not score.

Shannon close on its heels and Blue Peter relegated to third position.

Coming into the straight, Blue Peter dropped behind, and Flying Arrow (Pearne) came up to third place.

When the winning post was passed, Arabian Moon was in the lead, with Shannon second, Flying Arrow third, and Kelly (Wood) fourth.

1. Arabian Moon, 152 (C.L. Gregory); 2. Shannon, 152 (Ostroumoff); 3. Flying Arrow, 149 (Pearne).
Won by 6 lengths; 2 1/2 lengths.
Time: 1:24.4.
Pari-mutuel: Win: \$15.90.
Places: \$8.50; \$8.10; \$13.10.
BETTING

Win Place
Shannon, 152 (Ostroumoff) 3529 3239
Blue Peter, 152 (Ching) 2082 1311
Arabian Moon, 152 (C.L. Gregory) 1455 943
Souvenir, 152 (Yuen) 1025 903
Kelly, 152 (Wood) 537 861
Flying Arrow, 149 (Pearne) 372 454
National Hero, 152 (Miu) 182 203
Golden Swallow, 149 (Newman) 123 127

Goal Packed
From a breakaway, C.A.S.C. went further ahead when, following up a misunderstanding between Wong Wah-gay and the backs, Chin Chi-zai dashed in and netted. This goal stung the South China team into action, but the whole C.A.S.C. defence rose to the occasion and packed their goal.

Excitement ran high as all the South China players, with the exception of the goalie, came down field in an all-out effort to ward off defeat. Following a melee in front of the C.A.S.C. goal, Chu Wing-keung reduced the lead with a fine back shot, which caught Yu unawares.

With time growing short, South China became more and more desperate. Time after time they manoeuvred the ball right to the edge of the C.A.S.C. penalty area, but were unable to produce further.

They invariably found their shots blocked and the final whistle came with C.A.S.C. worthy winners by two goals to one.

WOODCOCK TO MEET BAKSI
London, Feb. 7.
Bruce Woodcock, British heavyweight champion, is to meet the American heavyweights, Joe Baki, at the Harringay Arena here on March 25.

In making the announcement, the promoter, Jack Solomon, said that this was the date provided that Woodcock sustained no injury in his fight with the Frenchman, Stephen Olek, at Manchester on March 3.

Other Sport News will be found on page 3.

Yesterday's
Rugger

Two rugby games were played at the Football Club yesterday afternoon.

In the first game, Buffs made their first appearance against Club "A". Club forwards played well together and got the ball regularly from tight and loose scrums.

After about ten minutes, Club scored after a nice blind-side run, carried on by Strange, who ran determinedly and scored in the corner. The kick failed.

Club continued to press and following a scrum close to the Buffs line, Clemo scored the second try after a quick heel, the kick again being successful. Directly after the re-start, Club scored again after another quick heel and a nice movement by the scrums finished off by McNay. Next, the Club forwards combined in a good foot rush and it had been dribbled over the Buffs line. Muriel converted.

After a few minutes, Club scored again when Brown intercepted a pass and edged his way over to score near the posts. The Muriel to convert again.

The final try came after another good movement by the scrums, finished off by Richardson.

Buffs were obviously an inexperienced side, but the Club played well, both forwards and backs, the former giving the latter an almost complete monopoly of the ball.

The final score was Club (2 goals 3 tries) 22 pts. Buffs—nil.

Cdo. Brig v Rest
The second game between the Commando Brigade and The Rest of the Colony was the third meeting of these teams and a large crowd gathered to watch the game, which started off at a fast pace. The Rest kicked off from the Hong Kong end and the play from the start was fast and open.

A good kick by Smitheringale took the ball to the Commando line, but the pressure was relieved by a Commando forward rush. Play continued to swing from end to end of the field, good kicking by Henderson and Smitheringale gaining much ground for the Rest. After a grand kick by Weller the Rest got the ball from the line out and the ball went right across the Rest three-quarter line, a good tackle by Burgum saving the Commando line.

Ten minutes from the interval, the Commando backs became prominent and two beautiful cuts through by Gourlay gained them a lot of ground. A quick heel by the Commandos caught Wright-Noth offside and Bussell scored a brilliant penalty goal from five yards from the half way line—Commandos 3 Rest 0.

The Rest were pressing hard now and again. Dorward and Thompson employed the reverse pass; a hook ahead by Dorward was gathered by Graham, who seeped. The kick hit the cross bar, but failed to go over.

The score remained at 3-0 until half time.

Mann Injured
After the restart, Rest were handicapped by an injury to Mann and during his absence the Commando scored a copy-book try, the ball going the whole length of the three quarter line for Williams to go over on the corner. The kick again hit the crossbar.

A Rest forward rush followed by a kick by Dorward took the ball to the Commando line where, after the resulting scrum, a free kick was given by the Rest for offside by the Commando forwards. This failed, but the pressure was maintained through a kick by Smitheringale.

Mills relieved with a good kick for touch and from the line out the ball went to Weller, who ran right across the field, sold a dummy and scored in the corner.

The excitement was now intense with some seven minutes to go. A good tackle by Thompson carried a loose scrum from which Wright-Noth gained a touch. The Commandos fought back and looked dangerous when Acton kicked across, but Foley was offside.

Commandos (1 penalty goal 1 try) 6 points.
Rest of Colony (2 tries) 6 points.

Kit Chee v Kwong Wah
Kit Chee decisively defeated Kwong Wah by five goals to one in a Second Division football match at Happy Valley yesterday, after scoring three clear goals at the interval.

Lau Wai-man netted three goals and Lau Shung, two for Kit Chee, while Yeung Poon-hon scored the only goal for Kwong Wah.

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